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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the Governor, and holden at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Tueſday the fourteenth of *February*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, and in the Thirty-firſt Year of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov.

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Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,	Col. *John Andrews*.
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	Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.

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Capt. *Benjamin Cornel.*
Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *James Arnold*, jun.
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Mr. *Eliſha Brown.*
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Mr. *Samuel Ward*,
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton.*
Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Edward Sands.*
North-Kingſtown ;
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South-Kingſtown ;
Jeremiah Niles, Eſq;
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
Jameſtown ;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *Edward Carr.*
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey.*
Scituate ;
None.
Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmoth*,
Mr. *Benjamin Smith.*
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie.*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall.*
Coventry ;
Capt. *Richard Rice.*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *William Baley*,
Joſhua Coggeſhall, jun. Eſq;
Briſtol ;
Mr. *William Pearce.*
Tiverton ;
Mr. *John Bowen*,
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth.*
Warren ;
Mr. *Thomas Cole*,
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
Richmond ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholos Larkin.*
Cranſton ;
Jonathan Randal, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Benjamin Randal, Eſq;
Capt. *John M Coon.*

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Forces in *North-America*, by his Letter dated the ſeventh of this Inſtant *February*, hath required and appointed a Convention of the Governors of the Northern Provinces and Colonies, with Commiſſioners properly authorized, to be holden at *Hartford* in the Colony of *Connecticut*, on Monday next, in order to ſettle and determin what Aſſiſtance from the ſaid Provinces and Colonies will be neceſſary to carry on the War the next Campaign : *This Aſſembly therefore do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor, with two others to be by this Aſſembly appointed, be, and they hereby are conſtituted Commiſſioners to wait upon his

Lordſhip

Lordſhip at the Time and Place by him aſſigned for the Purpoſe aforeſaid. And if by Reaſon of the Indiſpoſition which the Governor now labors under, he ſhall be incapable of attending, then the other two ſhall proceed and attend without him, and are hereby inveſted with the ſame Power that is granted unto all three.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Commiſſioners who are to wait upon his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, at the approaching Congreſs in *Connecticut*, uſe their beſt Endeavours, together with the Commiſſioners of the other Governments, to diſcover what Proportion each Government ſupplied of the Ordnance and Stores for the *Crown-Point* Expedition, and delivered to His Majeſty's Troops at Fort *William-Henry*, by the Hands of Col. *Richard Gridley*, chief Engineer, and Commander of the Train of Artillery to the Provincial Forces, *&c.* on the ſecond Day of *November*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Articles following be, and they are hereby made Inſtructions unto his Honor the Governor, and the Gentlemen that ſhall be by this Aſſembly appointed to wait as Commiſſioners upon his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Forces in *North-America*, with the Governors and Commiſſioners of the Northern Provinces and Colonies, at a Convention by his Lordſhip appointed to be holden at *Hartford* in the Colony of *Connecticut*, on Monday the twentieth of this Inſtant *February*.

Firſt. You are to proceed immediately unto *Hartford*, and upon your Arrival there, wait upon his Lordſhip, and join the Governors and Commiſſioners of the other Provinces and Colonies that ſhall be aſſembled at that Place.

Second. You are to lay an exact State of the Colony before his Lordſhip, with Regard to its Fortifications, Cannon, Warlike and Military Stores, the Number of Inhabitants, State of the Treaſury, and Funds for ſupplying the ſame.

Third. You are to beg his Lordſhip to lay the defenceleſs Condition of this Colony before His Majeſty, in the moſt favorable Light.

Fourth. You are to requeſt his Lordſhip to make the Colony ſuch an Allowance for the Proviſions and Military Stores furniſhed by this Colony for the two laſt Years, as will correſpond with His Majeſty's gracious Intentions ſignified to us by his Secretary of State.

Fifth. In Concert with the Commiſſioners of the other Governments, you are to requeſt of his Lordſhip, that the Forces raiſed by this Colony, may be under the immediate Command of their own Officers, and no others, except the Commander in Chief.

Whereas

Whereas ſeveral commiſſioned Officers, unto whoſe Lot it fell to go in the laſt Expedition from this Colony, procured others to go in their Stead : *This Aſſembly therefore do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That all and every of the Perſons procured as aforeſaid, ſhall have no more of the Government, than the Pay that was allowed unto the common Soldiers.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee which was appointed by this Aſſembly at their laſt Seſſion, to audit the Accounts of the Charges of the laſt Expedition, be farther continued for that Purpoſe ; and likewiſe audit all ſuch other Accounts as ſhall be brought in hereafter.

Whereas *Ann* and *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by this Aſſembly in *October* laſt, for printing ſeparately, the Act for aſſeſſing a Tax of Four Thouſand Pounds of the Bills of Credit emitted in *February* One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix ; for printing the Act made and paſſed for the more eaſy and ſpeedy paying the Charges of the laſt Expedition, and furniſhing Paper for thoſe Services. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ann* and *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Rev. Mr. *Joſeph Park* of *Charleſtown*, in the County of *Kings County*, preſented this Aſſembly with a Memorial, ſetting forth, that he hath been ever ready to contribute all the Aſſiſtance in his Power, to repel His Majeſty's Enemies from their injurious Encroachments on His Dominions and juſt Rights in *North-America*, and to defend the Country : That in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, he conſented to the voluntary Inliſtmen of three of his Sons, who ſerved in the Expedition formed for the Reduction of *Crown-Point* : That when they were diſcharged from the Service, upon their Return Homeward, they put their Cloathing and other Furniture, to the Value of about One Hundred Pounds this Currency in their Cheſt, which was unfortunately loſt in the Sea : That this Summer, when the Enemy attacked Fort *William-Henry*, they were ſubſtituted to go, and voluntarily went in the Stead of Officers who declined : That they did this without any Conſideration, purely to ſerve their Country and oblige their Friends : That he the Memorialiſt, was thereby put to conſiderable Charge, and receiv'd Damage in his Buſineſs : Wherefore he prayed for ſuch an Allowance as ſhould be thought proper.

On Conſideration whereof,

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of One Hundred Pounds be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Park* out of the General Treaſury, for the Uſe of his aforeſaid Sons, as an Allowance for what they loſt as aforeſaid; but that nothing be allowed them as Officers.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Eliſha Brown* and *John Cole* of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon* and *Joſeph Bucklin*, for the Repairs of *Wayboſſet* Bridge, and make Report as ſoon as conveniently may be.

What followeth, is a Report of the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame.

" *Newport*, *January* 26. 1758.

WE do REPORT, That being appointed a Committee by the General Aſſembly, we have receiv'd from *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, it being the Rate made in *November*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, and have burnt the ſame.

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield,
} Committee.

" Colony Dr. to the above Service, - £. 36 - -

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield."

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby accepted.

The following is a ſecond Report of the Committee who made that which immediately precedes.

" *Newport*, *Jan.* 27. 1758.

WE do REPORT, that being appointed a Committee by the General Aſſembly, we have receiv'd from *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, Three Thouſand Five Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Old Tenor, it being the Ballance of the Rate made in One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, and Seven Thouſand Seven Hundred and Seventeen Pounds Eight Shillings *Crown-Point-Money*; Four Thouſand and Sixty-ſix Pounds Two Shillings he paid Dol-

lars in Exchange for, out of the General Treaſury, and Three Thouſand Six Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Six Shillings, he gave Treaſurer's Notes for; which three Sums we have burnt.

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£. 11293 3 11				

Unto which Report, the Gentlemen ſubjoined the following Account.

"*COLONY*, - - *Dr*---

TO our Time and Trouble in the above Service, £. 45 - -

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield."

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby accepted; that the aforegoing Account be allowed, and that Forty-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *James Sheffield* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Chriſtian Mayer* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Government, for boarding a Number of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty's Subjects, who, by the Fortune of War, were taken Priſoners, and brought into this Colony. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Three Hundred and Four Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Chriſtian Mayer* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT to oblige the Inhabitants and Innholders of this Colony, to receive and entertain the Recruits that may be raiſed therein for His Majeſty's Service.

WHEREAS it often happens, that the King's recruiting Officers, and others his Soldiers, frequently paſs through this Colony, and recruit within the ſame; and that the Four Pence Sterling *allowed them* per *Day, by an Act of Parliament now in Force for the Billeting each Soldier, is not ſufficient for their Suſtenance while within ſaid Colony, and the Overplus is in and by ſaid Act ordered to be provided by the Inhabitants. And whereas, there is no Law of this Colony for the Furniſhing and Regulating the ſame.*

Be

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the future, when any recruiting Officers and Soldiers ſhall make due Application to any of the Aſſiſtants and Juſtices, or Wardens of the Peace, in any Town within this Colony, for the Billeting of any Troops upon the Inhabitants, agreable to the Act of Parliament in that Caſe made and provided, that it ſhall and may be lawful for ſuch Aſſiſtants, Juſtices, or Wardens of the Peace, to order and direct any of the Inhabitants or Tavern-keepers of ſuch Town, to receive ſo many of ſuch Soldiers as they may judge convenient, till the whole be provided for, and billet the ſame at the Expence of the Colony. And ſuch Inhabitant or Innholder ſhall be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Three Pounds Four Shillings Old-Tenor *per* Week, over and above His Majeſty's Allowance, and no more; and the like Proportion for any longer or ſhorter Time.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Innholder or Tavern-keeper ſhall refuſe to obey ſuch Order or Orders, given by any Aſſiſtant, Juſtice, or Warden, as aforeſaid, he or ſhe ſo refuſing, ſhall forfeit his or her Licence.

Whereas *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Government, for boarding a Number of the *French* King's Subjects, who, by the Fortune of War, were taken Priſoners and brought into this Colony. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Eighty-eight Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth* out of the General Treaſury.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, Col. *John Andrews* and Mr. *Samuel Ward*, were appointed Commiſſioners to go with his Honor the Governor, and wait upon his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, at the Congreſs by his Lordſhip appointed to be holden at *Hartford*, in the Colony of *Connecticut*.

And the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the following Liſt, were choſen Officers as is therein mentioned.

Lieut. *Stephen Arnold*, Captain of the ſecond Company or trained Band of the Town of *Warwick*, in the Room of Capt. *Silas Gardner*, who hath removed into *North-Kingstown*; Mr. *William Greene*, jun. late Enſign of the ſaid Company, or trained Band, Lieutenant, and *James Arnold* (Son of *Eliſha*) Enſign of the ſame.

Mr,

Mr. *Caleb Sheffield*, Captain of the firſt Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the Room of Capt. *Preſerved Pearce*, jun.

Newman Perkins, Eſq; Captain of the ſecond Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Exeter*, in the Room of Capt. *William Tanner*.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Secretary be, and he hereby is directed to make out under the Seal of the Colony, and ſign a Commiſſion for his Honor the Governor, and the other Commiſſioners appointed to wait on his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, at the Congreſs by his Lordſhip appointed to be holden at *Hartford*, in the Colony of *Connecticut*.

An ACT directing the General Treaſurer to receive and pay *Spaniſh* Mill'd Dollars at the Rate of Six Shillings Lawful Money *per* Dollar.

WHEREAS Spaniſh *Mill'd Dollars paſs in the Neighbouring Governments for Six Shillings Lawful Money a Piece, and the Lawful Money by this Colony emitted, was firſt paſs'd at that Rate, and conſequently ought to be paid in the ſame Manner.*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That in all Payments to be made into the General Treaſury in Lawful Money, the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to receive *Spaniſh* Mill'd Dollars at the Rate of Six Shillings Lawful Money each; and he is alſo directed to pay them at the ſame Rate, to all Perſons who have juſt Demands upon the Colony for Lawful Money: And the Collectors of all Rates or Taxes, in Lawful Money, are alſo hereby directed to receive *Spaniſh* Mill'd Dollars at the Rate aforeſaid.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every *Spaniſh* Piece of Eight, in Silver of the ſame Weight with a *Spaniſh* MillPd Dollar, ſhall paſs equal to one.

Whereas *Francis Skinner* of *Newport*, Book-binder, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for binding and double covering a Book to be uſed in the Notary Public's Office, for recording the Buſineſs done there: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds, the Ballance thereof, be paid the ſaid *Francis Skinner* out of the General Treaſury.

This

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before them unfiniſhed at this and their laſt Seſſion, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next: That this Aſſembly be adjourned unto the ſecond Monday of *March* next; and that the Seſſion which was appointed to be holden on the laſt Monday of this Inſtant *February*, be, and hereby is poſtponed unto that Day.

GOD *Save the* KING.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the thirteenth of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, and in the Thirty-firſt Year of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

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Mr. *Eliſha Brown*,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Col. *John Andrews*.
Portſmouth;
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Warwick;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Eliſha Brown*.
Weſterly;
Mr. *Samuel Ward*,
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton*.
Newſhoreham;
Capt. *Edward Sands*,
John Littlefield, Eſq;
North-Kingſtown;
Mr. *Ebenezer Brown*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
South-Kingſtown;
Jeremiah Niles, Eſq;
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich;
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Jameſtown;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *Edward Carr*.
Smithfield;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey*.
Scituate;
John Fiſk, Eſq;
Gloceſter;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmoth*,
Mr. *Benjamin Smith*.
Charleſtown;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie*.
Weſt-Greenwich;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall*.
Coventry;
Capt. *Abel Potter*,
Capt. *Richard Rice*.
Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Middletown;
Mr. *William Baley*,
Joſhua Coggeſhall, jun. Eſq;
Briſtol;
Capt. *Simeon Potter*,
Mr. *William Pearce*.
Tiverton;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Mr. *John Bowen*,
Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth*.
Warren;
Mr. *Thomas Cole*,
John Adams, Eſq;
Cumberland;
Job Bartlet, Eſq,
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
Richmond;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholas Larkin*.
Cranſton;
Jonathan Randal, Eſq;
Matthew Manchеſter, Eſq;
Hopkinton;
Benjamin Randal, Eſq;
Capt. *John M'Coon*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; was choſen Governor for the remaining

remaining Part of the current Year, in the Room of the Hon. *William Greene* Eſq; our late deceas'd Governor, and was thereupon engaged.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That *Edward Scott*, Eſq; and Capt. *Daniel Ayrault* be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the Directors of the Lottery that was opened and ſet up to raiſe a Sum of Money for carrying on the Building of Fort *George* on *Goat-Iſland*, in the Townſhip of *Newport*, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Speaker of the Lower-Houſe, and *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the late and preſent Naval-Officer, with Regard to the Light-Houſe, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Mr. *Samuel Ward*, one of the Gentlemen, by the laſt Aſſembly, choſen to wait on his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, at the Convention in *Hartford*, in the Colony of *Connecticut*, preſented the following Report.

" I THE Subſcriber, being one of the Commiſſioners appointed to wait upon the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Loudoun*, in Behalf of this Government, did accordingly, in Company with Col. *John Andrews*, proceed to *Hartford*. As ſoon as we arrived, we waited upon his Lordſhip, and laid our Commiſſion and Inſtructions before him, and agreable thereto, preſented the following Memorial, *viz*

" *To his Excellency the Earl of* Loudoun, *Commander in Chief of all His Majeſty's Forces in* North-America.

WE the Commiſſioners from the Government of *Rhode-Iſland*, being ordered to lay before your Lordſhip, an exact State of the Colony, with Regard to its Fortifications and Military Stores, the Number of Inhabitants, the State of the Treaſury, and Funds for ſupplying the ſame, beg Leave to repreſent to your Lordſhip, that there is only one Fortification in the Colony, called *Fort George*, very conveniently ſituated for the Defence of the Town and Harbour of *Newport*, which is the Metropolis of the Colony: But as there are in the Fort only twenty-ſix Carriage Guns fit for Service, and a few other Military Stores, it is to be feared the Town might be entirely deſtroyed by a very ſmall Force, and the Colony thereby diſabled from raiſing any more Men for the common Cauſe. And of what fatal Conſequence it might be to His Majeſty's Intereſt, to have the Enemy in Poſſeſſion of ſo fine a Harbour and Iſland, ſituate in the Midſt of *New-England*, we leave your Lordſhip to judge.

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By an Account of the Number of Men in the Colony, taken the 24th of *December*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, it appears, my Lord, there were then in the Colony, Eight Thouſand Two Hundred and Sixty-two Men, able to bear Arms. But as we have ſince loſt many Men by the War, and near Fifteen Hundred Men are out in our Privateers, we imagine there is not near that Number now left in the Colony.

With Regard to the State of the Treaſury, my Lord, we can only ſay, that it is now ſeveral Hundred Thouſand Pounds Currency in Debt, and we know of no Fund for ſupplying the ſame: And as this Colony will be greatly diſtreſſed for Money to raiſe its Proportion of Men for the enſuing Campaign, we requeſt your Lordſhip to order the Money due to the Colony for Ordnance Stores, and Proviſions, to be immediately paid to the Government, agreable to the Accounts herewith preſented.

And as by the above Account of the Fortifications and Military Stores, your Lordſhip will clearly ſee the weak and defenceleſs State of the Colony: We humbly pray your Lordſhip to lay the ſame before His Majeſty in the moſt favorable Light. And we alſo requeſt your Lordſhip to give us ſuch Aſſurance as His Majeſty's Inſtructions will admit, that the Forces raiſed by this Colony, ſhall be under the immediate Command of their own Officers, and no other, except the Commander in Chief, which will greatly facilitate the Raiſing of Men. All which is humbly ſubmitted.

J. Andrews,
Hartford, 24th Feb. 1758. *S. Ward.*"

To which Memorial his Lordſhip anſwered, That he had already recommended Home the Fort, and would again recommend the ſame. The billeting Money his Lordſhip told us he would order to be paid as ſoon as the Accounts were properly made out. On Account of the Proviſions ſupplyed by this Government, we have received a Bill of Exchange for Four Hundred and Seven Pounds Two Shillings and Ten Pence Sterling. In Relation to the Money due for tranſporting the Troops laſt Spring, his Lordſhip acquainted us, he had ordered all that he thought juſtly due on that Account, to be paid, and ſuppoſed it had been done, but if not, would take Care that it ſhould be ſoon paid. With Regard to the Account for Ordnance Stores, his Lordſhip told us he, had recommended it Home, and as ſoon as he had an Anſwer, would let us know the Determination of His Majeſty's Miniſters.

And as to our Troops being commanded by their own Officers, his Lordſhip determined to take them under his own immediate Command, and aſſured us that he would take all due Care that they ſhould be well uſed.

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His Lordſhip then communicated to us, in Preſence of Governor *De Lancey* and Governor *Fitch*, his Plan for the Operations of the next Campaign, and his Propoſals for raiſing the Men neceſſary: And as the Number propoſed for this Colony to raiſe, appeared to us much larger than our juſt Proportion, we preſented the following Memorial to his Lordſhip, *viz.*

" *To his Excellency the Earl of* Loudoun, *Commander in Chief of all His Majeſty's Forces in* North-America.

YOUR Lordſhip having been pleaſed to communicate to us the Number of Men to be demanded of the ſeveral Northern Governments, agreable to your Lordſhip's Plan for the Operations of the next Campaign. We beg Leave to aſſure your Lordſhip, that the Colony we have the Honor to repreſent, is ſincerely and heartily diſpoſed to do every Thing in its Power for the common Cauſe; and knowing your Lordſhip has nothing more at Heart than His Majeſty's Service, and the Welfare of his Provinces and Colonies in *America*, they have always been ready to raiſe their Proportion of any Number of Men demanded by your Lordſhip: With this View, we are ordered to lay before your Lordſhip an exact Account of the Number of Inhabitants in the Colony; and we heartily wiſh the other Governments had done the ſame, that a juſt and equal Proportion might be ſettled: But as nothing of that Kind appears, we beg Leave to repreſent to your Lordſhip, that according to the beſt Information we can get, the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts* contains Two Hundred and Six Thouſand Inhabitants, the Colony of *Connecticut*, One Hundred and Thirty Four Thouſand, the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and Province of *New-Hampſhire*, Thirty-ſix Thouſand each. In Proportion to which Numbers, the *Maſſachuſetts* ought to furniſh Two Thouſand Four Hundred and Thirty-two Men, *Connecticut* One Thouſand Five Hundred and Eighty-two, and *New-Hampſhire* and *Rhode-Iſland*, Four Hundred and Twenty-five Men each. And when your Lordſhip conſiders how very ſmall the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* is, and in what an expoſed and defenceleſs Condition it is, and how great a Number of the Inhabitants are out in private Men of War, we flatter ourſelves that your Lordſhip will be of the Opinion, that Four Hundred and Twenty-five Men is the full Proportion of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*.

All which is humbly ſubmitted.

J. Andrews,
S. Ward.

Hartford, 24th Feb. 1758.

His Lordſhip was pleaſed to hear patiently every Argument we could make Uſe of in Support of our Memorial; but finally told us, that he had proportion'd the Number of Men agreable to

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the Plan of Union concerted at *Albany*, and as he knew of no other Rule, upon which the ſeveral Governments had agreed, except that Treaty, he thought, if he varied from that, it would create a great Uneaſineſs in the other Governments, which might obſtruct their raiſing Men, and thereby be very Prejudicial to his Majeſty's Intereſt. *Samuel Ward.*

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby accepted.

What followeth, contains a Report made by Mr. *Joſeph Lippitt*, relative to his receiving the Charter, Colony-Seal, and ſo forth, of his Honor the preſent Governor, and delivering the ſame unto his Honor the late Governor *Greene*.

"I THE Subſcriber, being appointed at *May* Seſſions, to receive of the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; the late Governor, the Charter, Seals, Letters, and Papers, belonging to the Colony, and deliver the ſame to his Honor the preſent Governor. In Obedience thereto, I have performed the ſaid Service, as *per* Receipt.

Sept. 21. 1758. *Joſeph Lippitt.*"

The Receipt referred to, was annexed to the Report, and is contained in the Words following, to wit.

"REceived of *Joſeph Lippitt*, the Charter, Seal, and Papers belonging to the Colony, with *Fones's* Book of Records. Witneſs my Hand in *Warwick*, the 27th Day of *May*, 1757.

William Greene, Gov."

Unto which Report, Mr. *Lippitt* ſubjoin'd the following Account.

" *The COLONY to* Joſeph Lippitt, *Dr.*---

To the above-mention'd Service, - £. 8 - -"

And this Aſſembly having taken this Affair into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Account be, and the ſame is hereby allowed, and that the ſaid Sum of Eight Pounds, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Col. *Benoni Waterman* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account charged againſt the Colony, for his Expences in ſeveral Journeys by him made to view the Soldiers inliſted by Capt. *Daniel Wall*, and for other Services which he rendered the Public. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote*

Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benoni Waterman* out of the General Treaſury.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That *Othniel Gorton* and *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to receive the Charter, Seal, with all the Letters and other Papers belonging to the Colony, which were in the Hands of the late Governor the Hon. *William Greene*, Eſq; deceas'd, and deliver the ſame unto his Honor the preſent Governor, giving and taking proper Receipts.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That all the Warrants granted by the General Treaſurer unto the ſeveral Collectors of thoſe Rates which are not yet fully collected, be lengthen'd out and continued in Force, until each reſpective Collector hath gathered the whole of what he is oblig'd, by his Warrant, to collect: And that the ſame be done with all poſſible Diſpatch.

Whereas *John Caſe* of *South-Kingstown*, Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That on the twelfth Day of *February* laſt, he ſupplied an Expreſs from his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, with a Horſe to go to *Providence*: That he did not receive his Horſe again till after twelve Days: That at the ſame Time he kept another Horſe belonging to Mr. *Elias Thompſon*, which was left ſeventeen Days at his Houſe, and taken Care of by him the ſaid *John Caſe*, for which he hath receiv'd but Three Pounds Old-Tenor; and thereupon prayed for a proper Allowance out of the General Treaſury.

On Conſideration whereof,

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Old-Tenor be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *John Caſe* out of the General Treaſury, over and above what he hath already received, as is aforeſaid.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Nathaniel Pearce*, *Thomas Throope*, and *Royal Paine*, be, and they hereby are choſen and appointed to take an Eſtimate of all the Rateable Eſtates, and an Account of the Number of Rateable Polls in the Town of *Briſtol*, in the Room of thoſe Perſons who were appointed to perform that Service, but neglected to do it: And that they the ſaid *Nathaniel Pearce*, *Thomas Throope*, and *Royal Paine* be, and hereby are ſubjected unto the ſame Fines and Penalties for Neglect of Duty, as the Perſons were in whoſe Room they are now choſen.

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The Committee that was conſtituted to audit the Accounts of the Gentlemen that were appointed to get a Veſſel built for the Colony's Service, preſented the following Report, to wit.

"WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly, a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Gentlemen choſen to build the Colony Brigg, herewith preſent the following Report, *viz.* We find the Account exhibited by *George Brown*, Eſq; to amount to Fourteen Thouſand Nine Hundred and Eighty-one Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven Pence: That of *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq; to Four Thouſand and Sixty-three Pounds Nineteen Shillings; and that of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon* to One Thouſand and Eighty-ſix Pounds Four Shillings and Two Pence: All which ſeveral Sums, amounting in the whole to Twenty Thouſand One Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Nine Pence, we are of Opinion, ought to be allowed to the Gentlemen reſpectively exhibiting the ſame; for that each of them have produced proper Vouchers for the moſt material Charges therein contain'd: And as to the ſeveral Sums they have each drawn out of the General Treaſury, we have no certain Knowledge.

Providence, March 13. 1758.

Jabez Bowen,
Eliſha Brown,
Nich. Brown,
Nich. Tillinghaſt."

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby accepted.

An ACT impowering the Town Treaſurers in this Colony, to call ſpecial Courts for the Recovery of any Sum or Sums of Money which ought to be collected and paid into the Treaſury of any Town.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That when and as often as any Collector or Collectors of a Rate or Rates, Tax or Taxes, ſhall refuſe or omit to collect and pay in to the Town Treaſury, any Rate or Rates, Tax or Taxes, unto him or them committed, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Treaſurer of ſuch Town to have, and he is hereby directed and fully impowered to call a ſpecial Court or Courts, and the Offender or Offenders to ſue, implead, and purſue unto final Judgment and Execution, agreable to the Law of this Colony, which enables the Juſtices of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas to hold ſpecial Courts on certain Occaſions.

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An ACT for reviving the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which ought to have been begun and holden at *Briſtol*, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, on the ſecond Tueſday of *October* laſt.

WHEREAS the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which ought to have been begun and holden at Briſtol, *within and for the County of* Briſtol, *on the ſecond Tueſday of* October *laſt, fell through: By Means of which, a great Delay of Juſtice hath enſued.*

For Remedy whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which ought to have been begun and holden as is aforeſaid, be, and the ſame is hereby revived: And that all Buſineſs that ſhould or ought to have been done or brought in Courſe, before the ſaid Court, be heard, tried, and determined at the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, to be begun and holden at *Briſtol*, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, on the ſecond Tueſday of *April* next: And the ſaid Court is hereby inveſted with all and ſingular the Power and Powers, Authority and Authorities, Juriſdiction and Juriſdictions, as they would have had, if no Latch had happened.

This Aſſembly do Vote, Reſolve, and Enact, and it is hereby Voted, Reſolved, and Enacted, That all Officers, of every Rank and Order in this Colony, who receiv'd Commiſſions, whether Civil or Military, from the Hon. *William Greene*, Eſq; the late deceas'd Governor, do continue in, and execute their Offices, in the ſame Manner, and with the ſame Powers and Authorities, until the Expiration of the Time for which they were reſpectively choſen, as they might have lawfully done in the Life of the ſaid late Governor *Greene*: And his Honor the Governor is requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation accordingly.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, no Fee ſhall be allowed at or by any Court of Juſtices within this Colony, unto any Perſon acting as an Attorney or Council, before or in any ſuch Court.

Whereas *Stephen Arnold*, one of the Deputies of the Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Twenty-five Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in ſummoning the Members of the upper and lower Houſes, that live within the ſaid County to meet and

hold two Seſſions of the General Aſſembly, to wit, one in *Auguſt* laſt, and another in *February* following. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That Twenty-two Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Stephen Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Sunderlin* of *Exeter*, in the County af *Kings County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was a Collector of Rates for the ſaid Town, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven: That being favorable to the Inhabitants, he did not collect the whole of the Rate to him committed, as it became due; for which he was ſued by the General Treaſurer, and obliged to pay the whole of the Rate apportioned unto and upon the ſaid Town of *Exeter*: Nevertheleſs, ſeveral of the Inhabitants thereof, altogether refuſe to make him Satisfaction for what he has been compelled to pay, by Reaſon of his favoring them. And thereupon the ſaid *John Sunderlin* prayed, that the Warrant given him for collecting the aforeſaid Rate or Tax, may be revived, and continued in Force, until ſuch Time as he ſhall collect what yet remains unpaid by the Inhabitants of ſaid *Exeter*.

On Conſideration whereof,

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer by the ſaid *John Sunderlin* made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and accordingly his Warrant is revived, and ſhall be and continue in Force, until he hath collected and levied all of the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, that remains due from the Inhabitants of the Town of *Exeter*.

Whereas Col. *John Andrews*, one of the Gentlemen that were appointed Commiſſioners, in Behalf of this Colony, to wait upon his Excellency the Earl of *Loudoun*, at the late Congreſs at *Hartford*, in the Colony of *Connecticut*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Horſehire, and the Expences he was at in the Journey which he made on that Occaſion. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed, and that the Amount thereof, being Sixty-four Pounds Eighteen Shillings Old-Tenor, and One Pound Thirteen Shillings and Three Pence Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid Col. *John Andrews* out of the General Treaſury.

And whereas the aforeſaid *John Andrews*, as Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*, exhibited the following Account unto thia Aſſembly.

" 1757. *March* & *April.* *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *Dr.*---

To examining and muſtering One Hundred and Twenty Soldiers, and granting Twenty-one Warrants, and procuring Ninety-four Soldiers to be impreſſed in the County of *Providence* : In which I ſpent above five Weeks Time in travelling to and from different Parts of the Regiment ; that therein I judge my pocket Expences could not be leſs than One Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor ; which I humbly pray the General Aſſembly will order to be drawn out of the General Treaſury, by

Their humble Servant,

John Andrews."

And this Aſſembly having taken the Premiſſes into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved,* That the foregoing Account be, and the ſame is hereby allowed, and that One Hundred Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid Col. *John Andrews* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Pendleton*, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Charges and Expences he was at in *October*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, in ſending and carrying Warrants to his under Officers, when the General Aſſembly ordered Four Hundred Men to be raiſed ; for his Expences in a Journey, which he made to *Newport*, in order to receive the Bounty-money, and for paying away the ſame ; for his Expences in *April* following, while raiſing Soldiers, and making up the Quota of Men ordered by the General Aſſembly, and for his Expences in raiſing One Sixth Part of his Regiment, in *Auguſt*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, by Order of the General Aſſembly. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-one Pounds Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid Col. *William Pendleton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Oliver Mius* of *Exeter*, in the County of *Kings County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he being Captain of one of the Companies or trained Bands in the Town of *Exeter*, received a Warrant under the Hand and Seal of *William Pendleton*, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County aforeſaid, bearing Date the twenty-fifth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven ; By which

which he was required, in the King's Name, forthwith, on Sight thereof, to impreſs out of his, the Petitioner's Company, Four able-bodied effective Men, and them, when impreſſed, to deliver unto the ſaid Colonel, at the Houſe of Capt. *Nathaniel Helme* in *South-Kingstown*, within three Days next after the Day of the Date of the Warrant aforeſaid: That in Obedience to the Order by him ſo receiv'd, he immediately ſet himſelf about his Duty; but as all the Soldiers in the Petitioner's Company had been apprized of an Impreſs before the ſaid Warrant came to his Hands, almoſt every one left their reſpective Places of Abode: This rendered it neceſſary for the Petitioner to keep riding Day and Night, and he did ſo until his Horſe was tired: That thereupon (thinking he had a Right in Virtue of his Warrant) he impreſſed and took a Mare belonging to *Jonathan Lewis* of *Exeter* aforeſaid: That having rode her, and impreſſed the Men, and deliver'd them as he was commanded by his aforeſaid Warrant, he alſo delivered the ſaid *Jonathan Lewis* his Mare. Nevertheleſs, on the fourth Day of *April*, the ſaid *Jonathan Lewis* brought an Action againſt him, and by the Judgment of a Court of Juſtices, holden at *Exeter* aforeſaid, on the twelfth Day of the ſame Month, he the ſaid *Oliver Mius* was condemned to pay as a Debt unto the ſaid *Jonathan Lewis*, Eighteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Nine Pence, with Coſts, taxed at Eighteen Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence. Whereupon the Petitioner prayed for Relief.

On Conſideration whereof,

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Twenty Pounds Four Shillings and Ten Pence, be paid the aforeſaid Capt. *Mius* out of the General Treaſury, it being the Amount of the Coſt he was at in the Suit aforeſaid: And that the Attorney General be, and he hereby is directed to proſecute, at the Expence of the Colony, the Appeal prayed by the Petitioner; *and this in Order to diſcourage ſuch vexatious Suits for the future.*

Whereas *Deborah Willcox* of *Weſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, Widow, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *Thomas Willcox* her Son, inliſted into the Colony's Service, and went under Capt. *John Potter*, in the Expedition undertaken for the Reduction of the *French* Fort at *Crown-Point*, to the Obedience of His Majeſty, in One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five: That the Campaign being over, he was taken ſick in his Way Homeward, at *Sheffield*, in the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*: That ſhe being informed thereof, hired and ſent a Man and Horſe thither to bring him Home, which coſt

coſt her Twenty-four Pounds: That he lay ſick the greater Part of the enſuing Winter: That ſhe the Petitioner was at the whole Expence that accrued thereby, and having ſince met with many Loſſes and Diſappointments, is reduced to very low Circumſtances. Whereupon ſhe prayed that ſome Thing may be allowed her out of the General Treaſury, towards the Charge aforeſaid, and for her preſent Support.

On Conſideration whereof,

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Twenty-four Pounds be allowed and paid the Petitioner out of the General Treaſury, for defraying her above-mentioned Charge

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be deſired to write unto General *Abercrombie*, requeſting that Payment may be made for the Hire of thoſe Veſſels, which were employed the laſt Spring, in tranſporting Soldiers and Stores from this Colony to *Albany*: And alſo, that Payment may be made for billeting the Soldiers laſt Spring, agreable to the Promiſe of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Loudoun*.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Speaker of the Lower Houſe be, and he is hereby appointed and requeſted to aſſiſt the General Treaſurer in diſpoſing of the Bills of Exchange belonging to the Colony, which were lately receiv'd of *Chriſtopher Kilby*, Eſq; His Majeſty's Agent Victualler.

An ACT for raiſing and paying One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men for the enſuing Campaign againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*.

WHEREAS the King has been graciouſly pleaſed to inform this Colony, by Letters from one of his principal Secretaries of State, bearing Date the thirtieth Day of December *laſt, that he is about to ſend a conſiderable Reinforcement of Land Forces, with a powerful Fleet, to make the moſt vigorous and extenſive Efforts, to avert, by the Bleſſing of God, on His Majeſty's Arms, the Dangers impending on* North-America, *and to carry the War into the Enemy's Country, expecting that the ſix Northern Provinces will raiſe Twenty Thouſand Men, to be joined to, and co-operate with his Regular Forces, for theſe great Purpoſes. And this Aſſembly being highly ſenſible of His Majeſty's Paternal Goodneſs, and willing to exert themſelves to the utmoſt of their Ability, for promoting the Service, Do Enact: And*

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men, including Officers, be forthwith raiſed in this Colony, to be employed in His Majeſty's Service: That they be formed into one Regiment, over which ſhall be appointed a Colonel, a Lieutenant Colonel, and a Major, and conſiſt of ten Companies, each of which ſhall be commanded by one Captain, two Lieutenants, and an Enſign, excepting three of the ſaid Companies, which ſhall be under the immediate Command of the three Field-Officers, and have only two Lieutenants and one Enſign to each; all of which ſhall be choſen and appointed by this Aſſembly. *Provided Neverthelefs,* That no Captain ſhall receive a Commiſſion until he hath inliſted Twenty Men, no Lieutenant until he hath inliſted Fifteen, and no Enſign until he hath inliſted ten.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Officers ſhall receive the following Wages, to wit. The Colonel, Forty-five Dollars *per* Month; Lieutenant-Colonel, Thirty Eight Dollars *per* Month; and Major, Thirty-two Dollars *per* Month. Each Captain, Twenty-ſix Dollars *per* Month; each Captain-Lieutenant, Twenty-three Dollars *per* Month; each Lieutenant, Twenty Dollars *per* Month; each Enſign, Fifteen Dollars *per* Month; each Sergeant, Eight Dollars *per* Month; each Drummer, Eight Dollars *per* Month; and each Corporal, Seven Dollars *per* Month. And the inliſting Officers ſhall receive Four Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money, for every Soldier they inliſt into the Service.

AND for the Encouragement of Men to inliſt, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That every able-bodied Man that inliſts, ſhall receive a Bounty of Eighteen Dollars, or One Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor, or Five Pounds Eight Shillings of the Bills of Credit emitted in *Auguſt*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix; and ſhall alſo receive one good Blanket, one Knapſack, and be provided with Billeting, from the Time of his Inliſting until he leaves the Colony, and ſhall have the Monthly Wages of Five Dollars and an Half, or Thirty Pounds Old-Tenor. And farther, his Perſon, Eſtate, and Bail (if any he hath) during the Time he ſhall remain in this Service, ſhall be exempted from all Arreſts, Executions, and Confinements, for any Debt not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor due to one Perſon.

AND for ſupplying the Treaſury with Money to carry this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That the Treaſurer ſhall hire Gold and Silver, and Bills of Credit

Credit emitted in *Auguſt*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, and give Bonds for repaying the ſame in Gold or Silver, together with *Six per Cent.* Intereſt, on the Twenty-fifth Day of *December*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine; and alſo Bills of the Old-Tenor, giving Bond to repay the ſame with Intereſt as aforeſaid, in Old-Tenor, or in Silver at the Rate of one Dollar for Five Pounds Ten Shillings Old-Tenor. *Provided Nevertheleſs*, That if he ſhall not be able to hire a ſufficient Sum of Money for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, on the above-mentioned Terms, within Twenty-five Days from the Riſing of this Aſſembly, then, and in that Caſe, that there be emitted and immediately put into the Treaſury, a ſufficient Sum of Lawful Money for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, not exceeding Four Thouſand Pounds: Which Money ſhall be printed from Types, and in the following Form, to wit.

THE Poſſeſſor of this Bill, ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *Twenty-four Shillings Lawful Money, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for one Ounce of Silver, within two Years from the Date hereof. By Order of Aſſembly, the 17th Day of* March, 1758.

AND that the Bills be of the Denomination of *Twenty-four* Shillings, *Eighteen* Shillings, *Twelve* Shillings, *Six* Shillings, *Three* Shillings, *Two* Shillings, and *One* Shilling, and of *Nine* Pence and *Six* Pence; and that an equal Number of each Denomination be ſtruck off, and ſigned by any three of the following Perſons, who are hereby appointed for that Purpoſe, to wit; *Jabez Bowen*, *Jeremiah Lippitt*, *Joſhua Babcock*, and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſqrs. Which Money ſhall be receiv'd by the Officers and Soldiers in all Payments, for Bounties and Wages, at the Rate of Six Shillings for a Dollar.

AND for the Calling in and Redeeming ſaid Bills, *It is Enacted*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time, that it may be collected and brought into the Treaſury Time enough to redeem the whole of the Bills to be ſo emitted, within two Years from the Date of ſaid Bills. And that the whole of the Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be made in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for every Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value. And the Gold and Silver by thoſe Means drawn into the Treaſury, ſhall be immediately applied to redeem the outſtanding Bills, to be by this Act emitted.

AND

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Emitting of theſe Bills, nor any Thing contain'd in this Act, ſhall have any Effect, or in any Meaſure influence the Old or New-Tenor Bills formerly emitted by this Colony, and now circulating; but that all Bonds, Mortgages, Notes, Accounts, Covenants, and Contracts, made, given, or ſubſiſting in this Colony, ſhall be deemed, conſtrued, and adjudged in every Reſpect, as they would and ought to have been, if this Act had never been made: Any Thing herein contained, that may ſeem to the contrary, notwithſtanding.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for ſupplying the Treaſury with Money to pay the Wages of the Officers and Soldiers, upon their Return Home, a Tax be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, ſufficient for that Purpoſe, and be paid into the Treaſury by the Time it ſhall be wanted. *And further*, for repaying the Money which ſhall be hired in Conſequence of this Act, a Tax ſhall be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall diſcourage any Perſon from inliſting, ſhall be fined Fifty Pounds Old-Tenor, or ſuffer thirty Days Impriſonment, upon his being convicted thereof before any three Juſtices of the Peace, in the County where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed: Which aforeſaid Fine ſhall be paid into the Treaſury of the Town where the Offence ſhall be committed.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Treaſurer immediately deliver to the Committee of War, all the Money that now is in the Treaſury; and from time to time ſhall ſupply them with Money for paying the Bounties, and all other Expences that ſhall ariſe in Conſequence of this Act.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War immediately collect together all the Arms belonging to the Colony, and have them forthwith put in Order, and made fit for Service: And that they, or any one of them, be impowered to examine upon Oath, or otherwiſe, and finally decide any Diſpute or Doubt that may ariſe concerning that Clauſe of this Act which exempts Soldiers from Arreſts for any Sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds: And that they be, and hereby are impowered and ſtrictly requir'd, to carry all the Parts of this Act, relative to their Office, into Execution with the utmoſt Diſpatch. And farther, that they have the ſame Power and Authority, during the Recеſs of the General Aſſembly, as they have at any Time heretofore been veſted with.

Benjamin

Benjamin Gardner proteſts againſt that Paragraph of the Act for borrowing Money on the Government's Credit, becauſe the Circumſtance of the Government, reſpecting the vaſt Quantities of Money we want, and the preſent Circumſtance our Money is now in, I fear will end in the utter Ruin of the greater Part of the Inhabitants of the Government.

Benj. Gardner.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, towards carrying on the Building of Fort *George* on *Goat-Iſland*, within the Townſhip of *Newport*. Nevertheleſs, there ſhall not be paid any Part of the aforeſaid Sum, until the Expence of raiſing the Men, by this Aſſembly ordered for the enſuing Caampaign, be firſt drawn out of the General Treaſury.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *William Mumford* be, and he hereby is appointed to carry on the ſaid Work.

Whereas *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kings County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Service done by himſelf and his Deputies, in ſummoning the Members of the Upper and Lower Houſes, in his County living, to meet and hold that Seſſion of Aſſembly, which, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the late Governor *Greene*, was begun and holden at *South-Kingstown*, on Monday the fourteenth of *February* laſt. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fourteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Beriah Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, and Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committeee, to audit all the Accounts of Capt. *William Mumford* with the Colony, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly.

Whereas Capt. *Amos Hammond*, who was employed as an Officer in the Colony's Service, in an Expedition undertaken to reduce the *French* Fort at *Crown-Point* unto His Majeſty's Obedience, exhibited the following Account, to wit.

" *Albany, December, A. D.* 1755.

To my Nurſing when in Sickneſs, Six Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money,	£. 6 10 -

May the 19. 1756. } To billeting my Soldiers, being Twenty Seven in Company, for two Meals a Piece, and Lodging, £. 18 18 -

A true Account *per* Capt. *Amos Hammond*"

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Account into Conſideration, and duly examined the ſame, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That Eighteen Pounds Eighteen Shillings, Old-Tenor thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid Capt. *Amos Hammond* out of the General Treaſury.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *William Mumford* be, and hereby is directed to inliſt Six Soldiers to ſerve at the Fort, beſides thoſe that are already there.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Tillinghaſt* and *James Sheffield*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of ſuch of the Committee of War as live in *Newport* : That *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq; Mr. *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Samuel Chace*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenekes*, Eſq; as one of the Committee of War : And that Capt. *Joſeph Stanton* and Mr. *Samuel Ward* be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Capt. *Robert Potter*, as another of the Committee of War.

Whereas *Abner Weſt* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he went the laſt Year as a Sergeant in the Colony's Service, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies : That by the Death of an Officer in the Regiment, the Poſt of an Enſign became vacant ; that thereupon he was advanced to fill the ſame : That Col. *Angel* finding it abſolutely neceſſary to appoint a Quarter-Maſter to his Regiment, thought proper to honor the Petitioner with that Poſt : That in both of the ſaid Offices, he did his Duty according to the beſt of his Skill and Ability, and ſo forth. Whereupon he prayed for a reaſonable Allowance. And this Aſſembly having duly enquired into, and conſidered the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *Do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War allow and pay the Petitioner the Wages of a ſecond Lieutenant, for and during the Time he acted as *Quarter-Maſter*, deducting what he has already received.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That another Perſon be added unto the Committee of War.

Whereupon Mr. *Nathan Rice* was choſen and appointed unto that Office.

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An ACT more effectually to prevent the Fiſh from being interrupted in their Courſe up the River *Paucatuck*.

WHEREAS by a Petition from many of the Inhabitants of the Towns of Weſterly, Charleſtown, Richmond, *and* Hopkinton, *it appears to this General Aſſembly, that there is an abſolute Neceſſity of a Law for the more effectual preventing the Fiſh from being interrupted in their Courſe up* Paucatuck *River, and its Branches, leſt by being too frequently interrupted, they ſhould entirely leave the ſame, and the Inhabitants thereby loſe that great and valuable Advantage.*

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That from and after the Publication of this Act, no Perſon whatſoever, ſhall fiſh in the River *Paucatuck*, or in either of the Branches thereof, commonly called *Mile-Brook*, and *Pauquiunck-Brook*, oftner than four Days in one Week, that is to ſay: Any Perſon may fiſh upon every Monday, Tueſday, Wedneſday, and Thurſday, in each Week, but on no other Day of the Week, upon the Penalty of One Hundred Pounds.

BE it alſo Enacted by the ſame Authority, That no Perſon whatſoever, ſhall make, extend, or keep up any Ware acroſs the ſaid River *Paucatuck*, or either of the above-mention'd Branches thereof, upon the Penalty of One Hundred Pounds.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That each and every of the above-mention'd Towns, be, and they are hereby authorized and fully impowered to chooſe two Freemen in each Town, who ſhall be under Engagement to inſpect into the Fiſhery in the ſaid River, and to proſecute all Perſons in their reſpective Towns, whom they ſhall diſcover to have been guilty of the Breach of any of the Laws of this Colony, in that Caſe made and provided.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all the Mill-Dams upon the ſaid *Paucatuck* River, ſhall be opened on the twentieth Day of *March* annually, and ſhall continue open until the laſt Day of *May* following; and each and every of ſaid Mill-Dams ſhall be opened ten Feet wide, in ſuch Place and Manner, as the Freemen above directed to be choſen, ſhall appoint. And any Perſon that ſhall neglect or refuſe to open his Dam, agreable to the Directions of the Perſons impowered as aforeſaid, to order the ſame, ſhall forfeit One Hundred Pounds: And if any Perſon ſhall perſiſt in refuſing to open his Dam as above-directed, the Perſons choſen and appointed by any Town, agreable to this Act, are hereby authorized and fully impowered to order the ſame to be pulled down, and the Owner or Owners thereof ſhall have no Remedy

AND

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That any three Juſtices of the Peace, in either of the above-mention'd Towns, be, and they are hereby authorized and fully impowered to hear and try all Complaints which may be made concerning the Fiſhery in the ſaid River, and Branches, and to determine the ſame agreable to this Act, and thereupon to award Execution. And one Half of all Penalties recovered in Conſequence of this Act, ſhall be given and paid to the Complainer or Complainers, and the other Half put into the Treaſory of the Town where the ſame ſhall be recovered.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the following Liſt, were appointed Officers to command the Regiment by this Aſſembly ordered to be raiſed for the enſuing Campaign, to wit.

FIELD OFFICERS.

Godfrey Malbone, Eſq; Colonel, *Henry Babcock*, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel, and *Daniel Wall*, Eſq; Major.

CAPTAINS.

John Whiting of the Fourth Company, *Ebenezer Jenckes* of the Fifth Company, *James Tew*, jun. of the Sixth Company, *Samuel Roſe* of the Seventh Company, *Nathaniel Peck* of the Eighth Company, and *John Potter*, jun. of the Ninth Company.

FIRST LIEUTENANTS.

William Richmond, jun. of the Firſt Company, *Robert Hopkins* of the Second Company, *Joſhua Brown* of the Third Company, *Giles Ruſſel* of the Fourth Company, *Benjamin Eddy* of the Fifth Company, *Valentine Morſe* of the Sixth Company, *William Tripp* of the Seventh Company, *Joſhua Allen* of the Eighth Company, and *Edward Smith* of the Ninth Company.

SECOND LIEUTENANTS.

Moſes Palmer of the Firſt Company, *Thomas Park* of the Second Company, *Philip Baker* of the Third Company, *Samuel Stoneman* of the Fourth Company, *George Shearman* of the Fifth Company, *Abner Weſt* of the Sixth Company, *Oliver Reynolds* of the Seventh Company, *Edward Talby* of the Eighth Company, and *Samuel Saunders* of the Ninth Company.

ENSIGNS.

Eſeck Carr the Firſt Company, *Mitchel Caſe* of the Second Company, *Nathaniel Bowdiſh* of the Third Company, *Tamberlin Campbell* of the Fourth Company, *Richard Smith*, jun. of the Fifth Company, *Thomas Tew* of the Sixth Company, *Caleb Tripp* of the Seventh Company, *Thomas Roſe* of the Eighth Company, and *Thomas Aylſworth* of the Ninth Company.

Lieut. *Giles Ruſſel* Adjutant.

Whereas

Whereas *Jacob Hartſhorn* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Lime, Bricks, Tiles, Laths, Nails, and Hair, for laying the Hearths, and for other Work by him done and provided for and upon the Foundation of the Chimney in the County-Houſe at *Providence*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed, and that Forty-ſix Pounds Five Shillings and 8ᵈ Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jacob Hartſhorn* out of the General Treaſury.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *Ebenezer Whiting*, now in the Colony's Service at Fort *Edward*, be, and he hereby is impowered to inliſt into the Colony's Service, for the enſuing Campaign, ſo many of the Soldiers of the Company he now hath, as he can, and that upon equal Terms with the Soldiers ordered to be raiſed for the next Campaign.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Four Commiſſion Officers of the ſaid Company be, and hereby are continued for the enſuing Campaign.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they hereby are directed to provide Cloathing, and deliver the ſame to ſuch of the Soldiers to be raiſed for the enſuing Campaign, as they ſhall think ſtand in Need thereof, and charge what they ſo deliver, unto the Account of the Soldiers by them ſupplyed.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Adjutant now appointed, ſhall be allowed the ſame Wages as a Captain, ſo long as he ſuſtains the Office of a Lieutenant.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted, upon Application from General *Abercrombie*, or the Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Land Forces in *North-America*, for the Time being, to lay an Embargo on all the Shipping in this Colony, for ſo long a Time as his Honor ſhall think proper.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That all the Collectors of Rates or Taxes in this Colony, who do not within fifteen Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, pay in the Proportions of the Bills of the Old-Tenor, unto them reſpectively committed for Collection, ſhall be ſued by the General Treaſurer.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before them unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, and the preſent, within five Days after its Riſing, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, unto every Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be adjourned unto the laſt Wedneſday of *April* next; that is to ſay, if it be called by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor; but if not called before nor at that Time, then this Aſſembly ſhall be diſſolved.

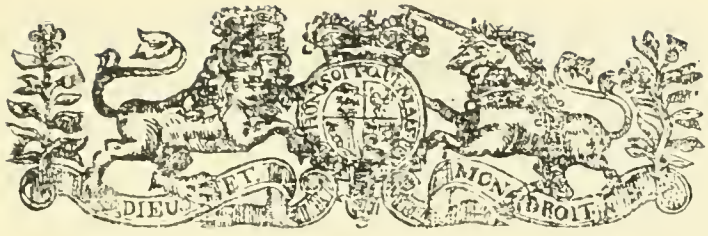
GOD *Save the* KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the twenty-third Day of March, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS *Tho Ward Secry*



At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for ſaid Colony, the Day before the General Election, being *Tueſday* the ſecond of *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, and Thirty Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth

PRESENT,

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;
} Aſſiſt.

DAVID ANTHONY, Eſq;
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
DANIEL COGGESHALL, Eſq;
} Aſſiſt.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benja. Wickham*,
Edward Scott, Eſq;
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Wanton*.
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

Providence;
None.

Portſmouth;
Mr *Francis Brayton*,
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.

Mr. *Walter Cornel*,
Capt. *Robert Barker*.

Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton*,
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Robert Hull*,
Mr. *Nathaniel Littlefield*.
North-Kingſtown ;
James Gardner, Eſq;
South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Jeoffry Haſzard*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Giles Pierce, Eſq;
Jameſtown ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Capt. *William Haſzard*.
Smithfield ;
None.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Benjamin Smith, Eſq;
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*.

Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Tibbits Hopkins*.
Coventry ;
None.
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *William Baley*,
John Barker, Eſq;
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Tiverton ;
None.
Little-Compton ;
None.
Warren ;
Capt. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Mr. *Thomas Cole*.
Cumberland ;
None.
Richmond ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholas Larkin*.
Cranſton ;
None.
Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

PETER BOURS, Eſq; was choſen Speaker:

And JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHereas all and every of the Perſons whoſe Names are inſerted in the ſubſequent Roll, have taken the Oath or Affirmation preſcribed by the Law of this Colony againſt Bribery and Corruption in electing public Officers, as appears by proper Returns from the reſpective Town Clerks: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That they, and every of them, be, and hereby are admitted and made free of the Colony, and may therefore lawfully give their Votes to chooſe Officers, not only for their reſpective Towns, but alſo in the Choice of all General Officers.

NEWPORT:

Elnathan Hammond, John Arnold Hammond, Stephen Fry, Jabez Champlin, Henry Hunter, John Weſt, William Weſt, Nathaniel Bird, Philip Peckham, Robert Taylor Shearman, Job Eaſton, Benjamin Tayer, Thomas Crowley, Thomas Atwood, Peleg Carey, Job Biſſel, Benjamin Greene, George Hall, Thomas Tillinghaſt, Jonathan Chadwick; George Cornel, Ebenezer Rumreil,

reil, Matthew Cozzens, Simon Peaſe, jun. Abraham Dennis, Thomas Huddy, Henry John Overing, Thomas Eyres (*Son af Nicholas*) Benjamin Brown, John Stearns, May Davis, James Tew, jun. Reuben Peckham, Jethro Spooner, Henry Lyon, Ebenezer Gray, Joſeph Weſt, Latham Clarke, John Gardner (*Son of William*) Iſaac Lawton, Joſeph Rodman, Ignatius Battar, William Richardſon, Benjamin Dunham, Benjamin Sanford, Job Snell, Simuel Nichols, William Gardner (*Son of Bevoni*), Greene Rogers, Edward Dyre, Edward Church, Peter Simon, Benjamin Boſworth, Jacob Stockman, and Samuel Pitman (Blackſmith).

PORTSMOUTH;

Giles Lawton, and Joſeph Kerby.

WARWICK;

Thomas Greene (*Son of Fones*) Iſaac Trip, John Rice, Hugh Eſſex, Samuel Budlong, George Briggs, and Thomas Greene (*Son of Nathaniel*).

WESTERLY;

Jonathan Foſter, James Babcock, jun. Chriſtopher Babcock, Robert Burdick, jun. Joſhua Babcock, jun. John Bliven, John Bliven, jun. Iſaac Varſe, jun. William Vincent, William Bromley, Samuel Pendleton, Charles Hall, Stephen Gavit, Henry Babcock, Henry Mulkin, Iſaac Hall, Thomas Roſs, and Abraham Lewis.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

John Congdon, jun. Rowſe Northup, Stukely Weſtcoat, Frederick Phillips, John Reynolds (Taylor), Chriſtopher Fowler, Jabez Reynolds jun. Samuel Fones, James Northup, John Sweet, (*Son of Benjamin*) Thomas Rathbone, and Eber Sweet.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Enoch Haſzard, Daniel Shearman, jun. and Eliſha Watſon.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Pardon Tillinghaſt, Samuel Vaughan, Benedict Hambleton, John Whitman (*Son of James*) Elvin Briggs, Samuel Tarbox (*Son of John*), Thomas Wells, Abraham Greene, Caleb Lawton, Benjamin Bennet, and Henry Straight.

JAMESTOWN;

John Weeden.

SMITHFIELD;

Jeremiah Smith, jun. Obadiah Herenden, Peter Teſt, jun. Jonathan Gulley, Ahab Wilkinſon, Noah Smith, Jeremiah Phillips, James Teſt, Eliezer Brown, John Farnom, Charles Angel, John Auſtin, Benjamin Whipple, Richard Harris, jun. Arnold Pain, Uriah Harris, and Samuel Cumſtock.

SCITUATE;

Jonathan Seamans, Jeremiah Smith, Hugh Cole, William Weſt, Zebedee Hopkins, Oliver Potter, William Turner, Thomas Place, Edward Hoar, Peter Eddy, Eliſha Bowen, Joſiah Colvin, Abner Hopkins, and Eliſha Franklin.

GLOCESTER,

William Coman, jun, Richard Eddy, Samuel Steere, John Hambleton, Uriah Hawkins, William Dean, Anthony Place, Stephen Steere, Oliver Arnold, Zephaniah Andrews, James Leonard, and Joſeph Keach.

CHARLESTOWN;

Stanton York, Tobias Saunders, Henry Welch, John Stiles, and George Pooler.

WESTGREENWICH;

Robert Hopkins, Robert Haſzard, Samuel Hopkins, Robert Carr, Thomas Tillinghaſt, Zorobabel Matteſon, and William Jenckes.

COVENTRY;

Francis Colegrove, John Fox, Job Baker, John Arnold, Benjamin Foſter, Joſeph Johnſon, William Chace, William Weaver, John Perkins, Edward Spaulding, Simeon Babcock, Joſeph Bennet, Benjamin Dexter, Moſes Burlingham, and Sylveſter Sweet.

EXETER;

William Allen, Joſiah Barber, Hezekiah Hoar, William Gardner, John Nye, Jonathan Lewis, jun. Tillinghaſt Bently, Robert Reynolds, jun. and Ebenezer Moon, jun.

MIDDLETOWN

Joſeph Durfee, Samuel Mumford Henry Tew, jun. William Peckham (*Son of Samuel*) John Gould jun. Giles Barker, William Peckham the third, and Jonathan Anthony.

BRISTOL;

William Martindale, Nathaniel Diman, and Nathan Munro *Son of Bennet.*

TIVERTON;

John Willcock, Edward Sowle, Ebenezer Fiſh, Samuel Crandal, William Willcock, jun. Thomas Tripp, Daniel Fiſh, Thomas Gray, jun. and Stephen Gifford.

LITTLECOMPTON;

William Carr, William Brown, Benjamin Stoddard, and Nathaniel Stoddard.

CUMBERLAND;

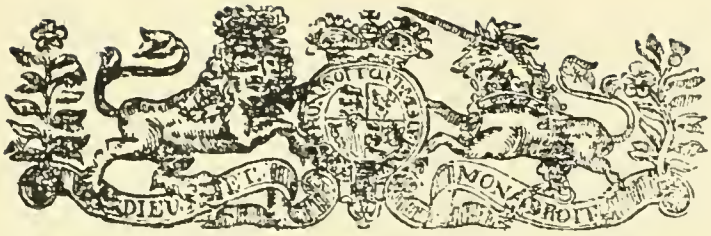
Abraham Follet, Nathan Arnold, Ephraim Allen, Benj. Allen, Moſes Whipple, Timothy Ide, James Cargill, Roger Braley, William Peters, David Caſwell, Iſrael Whipple, jun. Joſeph Lee, John Burlingham, Benjamin Wallcot, Peace Clarke, and Uriah Clarke.

RICHMOND;

William Kinyon, Giles Kinyon, Peter Boſs, and Jonathan Iriſh.

HOPKINTON;

John Brown, William Guild, William Barber, Charles Bowen, Rowland Robinſon, Timothy Peckham, jun. Stephen Larkin, Joſeph Reynolds, jun. David Tanner, Elias Lewis, John Burdick, Nathan Barber, Nathaniel Kinyon, John Latham, and Matthew Wells.



At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt *Wedneſday* of *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, and Thirty Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	DAVID ANTHONY, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;	
HENRY HARRIS, Eſq;		NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;	
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		THOMAS HASZRAD, Eſq;	
ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;		DANIEL COGGESHALL, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;	Providence;
Lieut. Col. *Benja. Wickham*,	*Obadiah Brown*, Eſq;
Edward Scott, Eſq;	Capt. *Charles Olney*.
Peter Bours, Eſq;	Mr. *William Smith*,
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,	Lt. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,	Portſmouth;
Mr. *William Read*.	Mr. *Francis Brayton*,

Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Mr. *Walter Cornel*,
Capt. *Robert Barker*.
Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Capt. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton*,
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Robert Hull*,
Mr. *Nathaniel Littlefield*.
North-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Ebenezer Brown*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Jeoffry Haſzard*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Giles Pierce, Eſq;
Jameſtown ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Capt. *William Hazard*.
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey*.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*,
Benjamin Smith, Eſq;
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,

Joſeph Hoxſie, Eſq;
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Tibbits Hopkins*.
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Maj. *Stephen Potter*.
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *William Baley*,
John Barker, Eſq;
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *William Peirce*.
Tiverton ;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Mr. *John Bowen*.
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth*.
Warren ;
Capt. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Mr. *Thomas Cole*
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, *Eſq*;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholas Larkin*.
Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
William Burton, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

PETER BOURS, Eſq; was choſen Speaker :

And JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the Anniverſary Election of Officers, both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, to wit :

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Gov. *Engag'd.*
The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov. *Eng.*
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant ; *Eng.*

Nicholas

Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; ſecond Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Eliſha Brown, Eſq; third Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Gideon Comſtock, Eſq; fourth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
William Richmond, Eſq; fifth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Joſeph Brownel, jun. Eſq; ſixth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Joſeph Edmunds, Eſq; ſeventh Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; eighth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Daniel Coggeſhall, Eſq; ninth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Jeffry Watſon, Eſq: tenth Aſſiſtant; *Eng.*
Thomas Ward, Eſq; Secretary; *Eng.*
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General; *Eng.*
Thomas Richardſon, Eſq; Genetal Treaſurer; *Eng.*

The Hon, *John Gardner*, Eſq; Chief
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; ſecond
William Richmond, Eſq; third
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq; fourth
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq: fifth
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Andrews, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

William Pendleton, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County.*

Benoni Waterman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Godfrey Malbone, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

Barzillai Richmond, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Joſeph Haſzard, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County.*

John Spencer (Son of *William*) Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Joſeph Wanton, jun. Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Angel, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Samuel Albro, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County.*

James Arnold, jun. Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Edward Scott, *Peter Bours*, *William Anthony*, *Jonathan Freeborn*, and *Thomas Gould*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport.*

Daniel Jenckes, Job Randal, Thomas Lapham, Richard Steere, and Thomas Arnold, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of Providence.

Stephen

Stephen Haſzard, Immanuel Northup, Chriſtopher Champlin, Thomas Brown, and Benoni Hall, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of Kings County.

Matthew Allen, James Smith, Nathaniel Munro, Nathaniel Pierce, and John Kinnicutt, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of Briſtol.

Philip Greene, William Spencer, Daniel Howland, Othniel Gorton, and Caleb Greene, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of Kent.

CLERKS of the Superior Courts of Judicature, Courts of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the Counties aſcribed unto their reſpective Names.

John Grelea, jun. Eſq; Newport.
John Foſter, jun. Eſq; Providence.
Latham Clarke, Eſq; Kings County.
John Uſher, jun. Eſq; Briſtol.
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq; Kent

CLERKS of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the Counties aſcribed unto their reſpective Names.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Newport.
Mr. Nicholas Brown, Providence.
Mr. Benjamin Peckham, jun. Kings County.
Mr. Thomas Throope, Briſtol.
Mr. John Walton, jun. Kent.

SHERIFFS of the ſeveral Counties, aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

George Gardner, Eſq; Newport.
Allen Brown, Eſq; Providence.
Beriah Brown, Eſq; Kings County.
Nathaniel Boſworth, Eſq; Briſtol.
Stephen Arnold,, Eſq; Kent

The Hon. Gideon Wanton, Eſq; Benjamin Nichols, James Sheffield, Obadiah Brown, Samuel Chace, James Arnold, George Brown, and Nicholas Eaſton, Eſqrs. the Grand Committee, or Truſtees of the Colony for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And the aforeſaid Benjamin Nichols, Eſq; is choſen and eſpecially appointed to have and take the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the Money due, and to be due thereon. And alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe,

wiſe, when he receives any of the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all thoſe that refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

Mr. Edward Thurſton, General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throught the Government.

George Taylor, Eſq; Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence.*

JUSTICES of the Peace for the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT:

Martin Howard, Samuel Collins, Charles Bardin, Thomas Ward, Peter Eaſton, Joſeph Sylveſter, Barnabas Hargil, Daniel Goddard, John Grelea, jun. John Davis, jun. and Jonathan Eaſton, Eſqrs.

PROVIDENCE;

John Andrews, Joſeph Snow, Ebenezer Jenckes, James Angel, Samuel Nightingale, Samuel Chace, Nathan Pearce, and John Waterman, Eſqrs.

PORTSMOUTH;

William Earl, Robert Dennis, Iſaac Barker, John Almy, and Walter Cornel, Eſqrs.

WARWICK;

John Warner, jun. Barlo Greene, Ebenezer Slocum, Richard Eſtes, and Samuel Gorton (*Son of Samuel*) Eſqrs.

WESTERLY

William Hearne, Silas Greenman, Benoni Smith, Joſeph Crandal, Stephen Saunders, and Edward Bliven, jun. Eſqrs.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

David Sprague, Samuel Albro, Nicholas Northup, jun. Stephen Card, William Hall (*Son of Robert*) James Fones, John Spink, and Chriſtopher Spencer, Eſqrs.

SOUTH KINGSTOWN;

Samuel Teſt, John Caſe, Benedict Helme, William Hull, Jeremiah Crandal, and Samuel Caſey, Eſqrs.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Thomas Aldrich, Giles Pierce, Samuel Sowle, George Vaughan, Francis Barker, Thomas Shippey, and John Spencer (*Son of William*) Eſqrs.

SMITHFIELD;

William Arnold, Thomas Steere, John Aldrich, Daniel Mowrey, jun. Benjamin Arnold, Stephen Sly, and Samuel Winſor, Eſqrs.

SCITUATE;

Gideon Harris, Charles Harris, John Fiske, Samuel Dorrance, and Jeremiah Angel, Eſqrs.

GLOCESTER;
Andrew Brown, Timothy Wilmarth, Benj. Smith, Abraham Tourtelot, Iſrael Arnold, and Silas Williams, Eſqrs.

CHARLESTOWN;
Benjamin Hoxſie, Peleg Croſs, and Gideon Hoxſie, Eſqrs.

WEST-GREENWICH;
William Cumſtock, Samuel Hopkins, Philip Greene, Preſerved Hall, Iſaac Johnſon, Pardon Tillinghaſt, and Clarke Rogers, Eſqrs.

EXETER;
Job Tripp, Newman Perkins, Daniel Barber, Benjamin Reynolds, and Caleb Arnold, Eſqrs.

MIDDLETOWN;
John Taylor, John Barker, and Joſhua Coggeſhall, jun. Eſqrs.

BRISTOL:
Shearjaſhub Bourn, Leveret Hubbard, John Uſher, jun. John Howland, John Walker, and Royal Payne, Eſqrs.

TIVERTON;
Samuel Hickes, Philip Tabor, Reſtcome Sanford, Thomas Anthony (*Son of Joſeph*) and Gideon Wilcox, Eſqrs.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
Joſeph Wood, Robert Taylor, William Wilbore (*the ſecond*) and Thomas Church, Eſqrs.

WARREN;
John Cole, James Brown, John Adams, and Ebenezer Cole, Eſqrs.

CUMBERLAND;
Job Bartlet, John Dexter, Jeremiah Whipple, and Robert Aldrich, Eſqrs.

RICHMOND;
John Webſter, Samuel Teft, Sylveſter Kinyon, Thomas Kinyon, and Edward Perry, Eſqrs.

CRANSTON;
William Burton, Joſeph Harris, Matthew Mancheſter, Thomas Fenner, John Dexter, Charles Rhodes, and Thomas Potter (*Son of John*) Eſqrs,

HOPKINTON;
Benjamin Randal, Daniel M'Coon, Simeon Perry, Joſhua Clarke, and Edward Wells, jun. Eſqrs.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Election of Juſtices of the Peace, in and for the Town of *Coventry*, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly; and that the Gentlemen now ſuſtaining thoſe Offices, in the ſaid Town, be, and they are hereby continued until that Time, with as full Power

Power and ample Authority, as they have been ever veſted with, ſince they were choſen, commiſſioned, and engaged.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That the Artillery Company, which was erected in the Towns of *Weſterly* and *Charleſtown*, extend throughout the Town of *Hopkinton*, as the ſame did originally, *Hopkinton* at that Time being Part of the Town of *Weſterly*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *Martin Howard*, jun. be added to Mr. *Samuel Ward*, and the King's Attorney, who were, by the General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee, not only to examin the Laws of this Colony, whereby Juſtices of the Peace are empowered to hold Courts, but alſo to enquire into the Fees of ſuch Courts, &c. and likewiſe to conſider what Number of Juſtices will be neceſſary in each Town, ſo that a ſufficient Number may be choſen for the future, and no more.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That every Soldier who hath already inliſted, or may hereafter inliſt into His Majeſty's Service, in the Pay of this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign, ſhall (as well as every Officer) have the Sum of Ten Pounds Lawful Money given him upon his Return into the Colony, or, in Caſe of Death, unto his legal Repreſentative, that is to ſay, if the Country of Canada be conquered and reduced to His Majeſty's Obedience.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That a Commiſſary be appointed for the enſuing Campaign; but he ſhall not have Liberty to ſupply the Forces on his own Account, with any Sort of Neceſſaries which ſhall be provided by the Colony.

It is alſo Voted and Reſolved, That the Wages of the Officers and Soldiers be paid up, as near as conveniently may be, to the Time of their Embarkation, and have one Month's Pay advanced: That they proceed upon the Expedition, according to the Orders his Excellency General Abercrombie ſhall give.

And in Conſideration, that the Officers have no Table Expences allowed them, *It is further Voted and Reſolved,* That the Colonel's Wages be augmented to Fifty Dollars *per* Month; and that the Wages of the other Field and Commiſſioned Officers, be augmented in the ſame Proportion.

It is alſo Voted and Reſolved, That the Delivery of the Cloathing unto the Soldiers, be left to the Diſcretion of the Committee of War: And that every Soldier who ſhall produce a good Blanket to carry with him in the Expedition, ſhall be allowed the Sum of Thirteen Pounds Old-Tenor for it, and three Quarters of a Dollar *per* Month over and above his Monthly Wages, to be paid him in the Camp, for buying Liquor, and other ſmall Neceſſaries. That every Apprentice, who hath inliſted already, or may hereafter inliſt into the preſent Expedition, ſhall have the whole Bounty, and Half of his Wages, to his own proper Uſe, and the Maſter ſhall have the other Half of all his Apprentice's Wages, from the Time of inliſting, until the Day of his Diſcharge.

And

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War procure, upon the beſt Terms they can, a good Surgeon, with a good Surgeon's Mate, and a Doctor's Cheſt: And that all ſuch of the Soldiers as inliſted for the enſuing Campaign, before the laſt Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, whoſe Wages and Billeting did not amount to One Hundred Pounds at the Riſing of the ſaid Aſſembly, ſhall have a Bounty ſufficient to make up the ſame One Hundred Pounds.

Both Houſes being Reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe a Committee of War, to conſiſt of the Gentlemen whoſe Names immediately follow, to wit; his Honour the Deputy Governor, *Daniel Jenckes*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, *Robert Potter*, *Nathan Rice*, and *Abraham Smith*, Eſquires.

Henry Babcock, Eſq, Colonel, and *John Potter*, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment raiſing in this Colony to go againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in the enſuing Campaign.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all the Papers relating the Sloop Dolphin, that were brought to *Newport* in a Flag of Truce, of which Capt. *Joſeph Bull* was late Maſter, and are now in the Hands of the Hon. *William Ellery*, Eſq; be delivered to the Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, he giving a Receipt therefor; and that the ſaid Sheriff, upon his receiving the ſame, deliver them unto the Secretary, taking his Receipt: And that all Perſons concerned in the ſaid Papers, have Liberty to take Copies.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Conſiderations reſpecting the Colony's Veſſel, be poſtponed until the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time, her Bottom and upper Works be ſecured againſt the Worms, and Inclemency of the Weather, by the Gentlemen that were appointed to build the ſaid Veſſel.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the more ſpeedy compleating the Regiment to be raiſed in and by this Colony, the Number of Companies be altered and augmented from ten to thirteen; and that no Officers be appointed for the three additional Companies at preſent; but that inſtead thereof, inliſting Orders be given by the Committee of War, to all ſuch Perſons, as are ſuitable, and deſire the ſame: That thoſe who firſt return a ſufficient Number to entitle them to any Commiſſion, agreable to the Act of the laſt Aſſembly, ſhall receive their Commiſſions immediately: That thoſe who may have inliſted ſome Men, but not enough to entitle them to Commiſſions, and ſhall return them into the Service, ſhall receive a Reward of two Dollars for each Man ſo inliſted and returned: That the Officers who were choſen at the laſt General Aſſembly, and have entered on the Service, and inliſted Part of their Men, but not enough to entitle them to Commiſſions, have ſtill Power to go on and compleat their Quotas: And in Caſe they return a ſufficient Number to entitle them, before

fore any other inliſting Officer, they ſhall receive the Commiſſion: But if any other receiving inliſting Orders, ſhall inliſt as many Men as will entitle him to ſuch a Commiſſion, before ſuch Officer appointed by the Aſſembly, he who firſt returns a ſufficient Number, ſhall receive the Commiſſion; and that the inliſting Officers ſhall inliſt into the Regiment, for the intended Expedition, without mentioning under the Command of any particular Captain.

An ACT for repealing an Act made and paſſed by this General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *Newport*, on Monday the thirteenth of *June* laſt, entituled, "An Act farther to prevent the "Inhabitants of this Colony from carrying on any Trade or "Commerce with the *French*."

WHEREAS all the Britiſh Subjects in North-America, *except thoſe of this Colony, are allowed to carry on Trade and Commerce with the Subjects of His Moſt Catholick Majeſty, at a Place in the* Weſt-Indies *under his Juriſdiction, called* Monti Chriſto, *upon the Iſland of* Hiſpaniola; *and no bad Conſequence can attend ſuch a Traffick*

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Act aforeſaid, with every Clauſe and Article thereof, be, and hereby is annulled and repealed.

WE the Subſcribers, diſſent from the Vote of the Lower Houſe, for repealing the Act of the General Aſſembly, whereby all Veſſels were prohibited from carrying on any Trade to *Monti Chriſto*, by Reaſon, we apprehend that *Monti Chriſto*, is but a ſmall Port, and the Produce thereof but very ſmall, and ſo near Fort *Dolphin*, a Port in the *French* King's Dominions, where we apprehend all Trade carried on to *Monti Chriſto*, is only under a Pretence to trade at ſaid Fort *Dolphin*.

John Barker,	*Ebenezer Brown*,	*Robert Potter*,
Samuel Durfee,	*Tibbits Hopkins*,	*Othniel Gorton*,
Joſhua Clarke,	*William Hall*,	*Benjamin Gardner*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation forthwith, to make Public the Encouragement given Perſons to inliſt into His Majeſty's Service, in the Pay of this Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Embargo laid on the Shipping and Navigation of this Colony, in Conſequence of his Honor the Governor's Proclamation of the twentieth of *March* laſt, be, and hereby is farther continued, until it ſhall be otherwiſe ordered by the General Aſſembly, or his Honor, who is hereby requeſted to iſſue proper Directions for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, unto the Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, to the Naval Officer, and Captain of the Fort, in this Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby jointly and ſeverally appointed Muſter-Maſters for viewing and examining all the Soldiers that are, and ſhall be inliſted in this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign, and to paſs all ſuch as ſhall appear to be able-bodied effective Men, rejecting thoſe that appear unfit for Service.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Gentleman who ſhall be appointed Commiſſary to attend the Troops of this Colony in the enſuing Campaign, ſhall give Bond, with two good Sureties, to the General Treaſurer, in the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, for his the ſaid Commiſſary's conducting himſelf honeſtly and faithfully in the Execution of his Office.

This Aſſembly do chooſe and appoint Mr. *Joſeph Coggeſhall* of *North-Kingstown*, Commiſſary, to attend the Forces raiſed, and to be raiſed in this Colony for and during the enſuing Campaign, and that his Pay be the ſame as a Captain's.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Colonel of the Regiment raiſing in this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign, requeſt of the Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Forces, to appoint ſome ſuitable Perſon belonging to the ſaid Regiment, to be *Sutler*; and that the Committee of War furniſh the Perſon ſo appointed, with all Neceſſaries that they ſhall think proper to ſupply our Troops with, at a reaſonable Rate.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Gentlemen who were heretofore appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer, be, and they are hereby farther continued for that Purpoſe, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

An ACT for emitting, *in Bills of Credit*, a Sum not exceeding Ten Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*.

WHereas the General Aſſembly of this Colony, at their Seſſion in South-Kingſtown, *on Monday the thirteenth of* March *laſt, in Obedience to His Majeſty's Commands, ſignified by one of his principal Secretaries of State, paſſed, "An Act for raiſing and paying One "Thouſand able-bodied effective Men, for the enſuing Campaign againſt "His Majeſty's Enemies in* North-America." *And in Order to ſupply the General Treaſury, for carrying the Intentions of the Act aforeſaid into Execution, the Aſſembly then directed the Treaſurer to hire as much Money as would be Needful for that Purpoſe; but the Treaſurer having found it altogether impracticable to hire ſufficient Sums of Money for the Ends aforeſaid: And it being of the utmoſt Neceſſity and Importance, that the Treaſury ſhould be ſufficiently ſupplyed on this extraordinary Occaſion,*

Therefore

THerefore be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That Bills of Credit be forthwith impreſſed from Types, and ſigned by the Perſons herein after-named, to a Value not exceeding Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, eſteeming Silver at and after the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence *per Ounce*, and Gold at its proportionate Value: That the ſaid Bills ſhall carry an Intereſt of *Five per Cent. per Annum* to the Poſſeſſor, and ſhall paſs with the Intereſt added to them, in all Payments in which thoſe Bills are a lawful Tender. The Bills ſo emitted, ſhall be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Two Shillings, One Shilling, and of Six Pence, and an equal Number of Bills ſhall be made of each Denomination: And the Bills ſhall be in the following Form.

The Poſſeſſor of this Bill, ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *Thirty Shillings Lawful Money, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for one Ounce of Silver, with Intereſt at Five per Cent. per Annum, within five Years from the Date hereof. By Order of Aſſembly, the 8th Day of* May, 1758.

AND thoſe Bills, as ſoon as made, ſhall be put into the General Treaſury, for the Uſe and Purpoſes above-mentioned; and ſhall be received from thence, for paying the Expences of the preſent, or any other, Expedition, at the Value aforeſaid. And that One Mill'd Dollar, ſhall at all Times hereafter, be taken in Lieu of Six Shillings of thoſe Bills: And the Bills ſo to be made, ſhall be cauſed to be printed, with ſuch Devices on the Backs and Borders as ſhall be thought fit, and ſigned and put into the Treaſury, by *Jabez Bowen*, *Jeremiah Lippitt*, *Joſhua Babcock*, *Benjamin Nichols*, and *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſqrs. or any three of them.

AND for the Calling in and Redeeming the Bills to be emitted in Conſequence of this Act, *Be it farther Enacted*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time, that it may be collected and brought into the Treaſury in due Seaſon, to redeem the whole of the ſaid Bills, together with the Intereſt ariſing upon the ſame within five Years from the Day of their Dates: And that the whole of the Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be made in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for every Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value, or in Mill'd Dollars, at the Rate aforeſaid. And the Gold and Silver by thoſe Means drawn into the Treaſury, ſhall be immediately applied to redeem the outſtanding Bills to be by this Act emitted.

"WE the Subſcribers, Proteſt againſt that Paragraph of the Act for making Ten Thouſand Pounds, to carry *Five per Cent.* Intereſt: For, that the Intereſt is much too high; and *Three per Cent.*

Cent. in our Opinion, is high enough: And that as it now ſtands, the greateſt Part of the Money will be hoarded up; and the Conſequence will be, that the Poor muſt pay *Five per Cent.* Intereſt to the Rich, for the Money they have lying by them in their Cheſts.

John Barker,
Othniel Gorton,
Ebenezer Brown,
Joſeph Stanton,
James Gardner."

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *John Baſs* be, and he hereby is appointed Chaplain, and Surgeon's Mate, of the Regiment raiſing in this Colony for the enſuing Campaign: And that he be allowed Thirty-five Dollars *per* Month for performing both Offices.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That the Gentlemen appointed to ſign Bills of Public Credit, be under Oath for the faithful Performance of the Truſt committed to them in that Behalf, and receive *Half per Cent.* in the ſame Bills, as a Reward for their Service.

Whereas Mr. *William Paul,* one of the Deputies of the Sheriff in the County of *Newport,* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, Horſehire, and Expences, in ſummoning the Members of the Upper and Lower Houſe, that live in the Towns of *Portſmouth, Middletown, Tiverton,* and *Little-Compton,* to meet and hold that Seſſion of Aſſembly, which, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by the late Hon. Governor *Greene,* was begun and holden at *South-Kingstown,* on Monday the Fourteenth of *February* laſt: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Paul* out of the General Treaſury.

This Aſſembly do Vote and Reſolve, and it is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before them unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport,* all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within five Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, which is hereby adjourned to the ſecond Monday of *June* next.

GOD *Save the* KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, May *the* 13*th,* 1758, *by*

THO. WARD. *Secr'y.*

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, in and for the ſaid Colony, on *Monday* the twelfth of *June*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, and Thirty Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH BROWNEL, Eſq;
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
JEOFFRY WATSON, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.
The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. PETER BOURS, Eſq; Speaker:

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benja. Wickham*,
Edward Scott, Eſq;
The Speaker.
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*
Mr. *William Read*.

Providence;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *William Smith*,
Lt. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*.

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton*.
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Walter Cornel, Eſq;
Capt. *Robert Barker*.

Warwick

Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Maj. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

Weſterly ;
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton*,
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;

Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Robert Hull*,
Mr. *Nathaniel Littlefield.*

North-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Ebenezer Brown*,
James Gardner, Eſq;

South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Jeoffry Haſzard*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.

Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Giles Fierce, Eſq;

Jameſtown ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Capt. *William Hazard.*

Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey.*

Sciruate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;

Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*,
Benjamin Smith, Eſq;

Charleſtown ;
Joſeph Hoxſie, Eſq;

Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Tibbits Hopkins.*

Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Maj. *Stephen Potter.*

Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;

Middletown ;
Mr. *William Baley*,
John Barker, Eſq;

Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *William Peirce.*

Tiverton ;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Mr. *John Bowen.*

Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth.*

Warren ;
Capt. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Mr. *Thomas Cole*

Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, *Eſq*;
John Dexter, Eſq;

Richmond ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholas Larkin.*

Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;

Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Edward Wells, jun. Eſq;

And JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, with the Committee of War, be, and they are hereby appointed to make Enquiry into the Charge this Colony was at in the Expeditions carried on againſt His Majeſty's Enemies, in the Years One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, and One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, which the Crown is to pay, and thereupon draw up authentic Accounts of the ſame, to be by his Honor tranſmitted Home as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas *Ann* and *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for printing

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One Hundred Proclamations iſſued by his Honor the Governor, and providing Paper for the ſame; for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at two Seſſions, one in *February*, and the other in *March* laſt, and for furniſhing Paper for that Service: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Twenty-three Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ann* and *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT for the equal Diſtribution of Inſolvent Eſtates.

WHEREAS ſeveral Eſtates, inſufficient to pay all the Debts juſtly due from Perſons deceaſed, have been very unequally divided among their Creditors.

And now to prevent any ſuch unequal Diſtribution for the future,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That when the Eſtate of any Perſon deceaſed, ſhall be inſolvent, or inſufficient to pay all the juſt Debts which the Deceaſed owed, the ſame ſhall be diſtributed to and among all the Creditors, in Proportion to the Sums to them reſpectively owing, ſo far as the ſaid Eſtate will extend, ſaving, that the Debts due to the Colony, and for Attendance and Medicines in the laſt Sickneſs, and neceſſary Funeral Charges of the Deceaſed, are to be firſt paid. And the Executor or Adminiſtrator of any ſuch Inſolvent Eſtate, before Payment to any be made, except as aforeſaid, ſhall repreſent the Condition and Circumſtances thereof, unto the Town-Council of the Town where the Deceaſed laſt dwelt; and the ſaid Town Council ſhall appoint two or more fit and indifferent Perſons to make a true and equal Appraiſement of ſuch Eſtate, and adminiſter an Oath or Engagement unto them for that Purpoſe. And ſhall alſo appoint two or more fit Perſons to be Commiſſioners, with full Power to receive and examine all Claims of the ſeveral Creditors, and how they are made out; which Commiſſioners ſhall put up Notifications of the Times and Places of their meeting to attend the Creditors, for the receiving and examining of their Claims, in three or more Public Places in the Town; and one Notification on or near the Door of the Court-Houſe, in the County where the Deceas'd laſt dwelt; or ſhall advertiſe the ſaid Times and Places in one of the *Boſton* News-Papers for three Weeks ſucceſſively: And the Town Council ſhall allow ſix or twelve Months Time (as the Circumſtances of any Eſtate may require) unto the Creditors, to bring in their Claims, and prove their Debts: At the End of which limited Time, the Commiſſioners ſhall make their Report, and preſent a Liſt of all the Claims by them allowed, unto the Town Council, who ſhall order them a meet Recompence out of the Eſtate

Eſtate, for their Care and Pains in the Affair: And ſhall alſo order the ſaid Eſtate, the Debts due to the Government, and for Attendance and Medicines, and neceſſary Funeral Charges being firſt deducted, to be paid and diſtributed to and among the other Creditors, who ſhall have made out their Claims in Proportion to the Sums unto them reſpectively owing, according as the Eſtate will bear, ſaving unto the Widow her Apparel, and ſuch Bedding, and other Houſhold Goods as are neceſſary for the Upholding of Life: Which Goods at her Deceaſe, or marrying again, ſhall alſo be diſtributed among the ſaid Creditors in like Proportion. *Provided*, That notwithſtanding the Report of any ſuch Commiſſioners, or Allowance thereof, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Executor or Adminiſtrator, or any one of the Creditors, to conteſt the Proof of any Debt at the common Law. *Provided Alſo*, That the Widow of the Deceaſed ſhall give Bond, with ſufficient Sureties, to the Town Council aforeſaid, that the Bedding and other Houſhold Goods allowed her by the Commiſſioners, ſhall be delivered at her Death or Marriage, to the ſaid Town Council, or their Succeſſors, or to ſuch other Perſon as they ſhall appoint.

AND no Proceſs in Law, except for Debts due to the Government, for Attendance and Medicines, and neceſſary Funeral Charges, ſhall be allowed againſt the Executor or Adminiſtrator of any Inſolvent Eſtate, while the Commiſſion is depending as aforeſaid.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Town Council be, and they hereby are fully authorized and impowered to call before them, and to require and adminiſter an Oath or Engagement unto any Perſon or Perſons, probably ſuſpected by any Executor or Adminiſtrator, Legatee or Creditor, to have concealed, embezzled, or convey'd away, any of the Money, Goods, or Chattels, of the Perſon deceaſed, for the Diſcovery of the ſame. And in Caſe any ſuch ſuſpected Perſon, was intruſted by the Perſon deceaſed, or did attend upon, or was converſant with him or her in the Time of Sickneſs, or left in the Poſſeſſion of the Eſtate, whereby to ſtrengthen and make the Suſpicion more violent, and ſhall refuſe to clear and acquit him or herſelf, upon Oath, it ſhall and may be lawful for the Town Council, and they hereby are impowered to commit ſuch Perſon ſo refuſing, unto the County Gaol, there to remain until he or ſhe ſhall comply to diſcharge him or herſelf, upon Oath as aforeſaid: Saving unto the Perſon aggrieved at any Sentence, Order, or Decree of the Town Council, Liberty of Appeal unto the Governor and Council, ſuch Appellant giving Bond in a reaſonable Sum, with ſufficient Security, to proſecute his or her Appeal with Effect, and to abide and perform the Determination that ſhall be made thereon.

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AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when the Goods and Chattels belonging to the Eſtate of any Perſon deceaſed, ſhall not be ſufficient to pay his or her juſt Debts, upon Repreſentation thereof, and making the ſame to appear, by atteſted Copies from the Town-Council, unto the Superior Court held for the County in which ſuch deceaſed Perſon laſt dwelt, the ſaid Court are hereby fully impowered to authorize the Executor or Adminiſtrator of ſuch Eſtate, to make Sale of all, or any Part of the Houſes and Lands of the Deceaſed (ſaving unto the Widow, her Right of Dower) ſo far as ſhall be neceſſary to ſatisfy the juſt Debts due from the Deceaſed. And every Executor or Adminiſtrator, being authorized as aforeſaid, ſhall and may, by Virtue of ſuch Authority, make, ſign, and execute in due Form of Law, Deeds and Conveyances for ſuch Houſes and Lands, as they ſhall ſo ſell, which Inſtruments ſhall be good and ſufficient Evidence in Law, of his or her Title, to whom they ſhall be given.

PROVIDED Nevertheleſs, That any Mortgage or Mortgages on ſuch Eſtate, ſhall be firſt ſecured and paid out of the ſame.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when any Perſon or Perſons ſhall make Sale, or other Alienation of any Lands or Tenements, ~~and the~~ of Right belonging, with Intent to defeat or defraud his Creditors of their juſt Debts, not *bona fide* for good and valuable Conſideration truly paid; all ſuch Sales and Alienations are to be deemed fraudulent, and ſhall be of no Effect to bar any Creditor from ſuch Debt as is to him owing.

~~*PROVIDED Alſo*, That the Widow of the Deceaſed ſhall give Bond, with ſufficient Sureties, to the Town Council aforeſaid, that the Bedding and other houſhold Goods allowed her by the Commiſſioners, ſhall be delivered at her Death or Marriage, to the ſaid Town Council, or their Succeſſors, or to ſuch other Perſon as they ſhall appoint.~~

Whereas *Simeon Munro*, one of the Deputies of the Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Six Pounds by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſummoning the Members of the Houſe of Deputies, living in the ſaid County, to meet and hold the Seſſion of Aſſembly which was begun and holden at Newport, on Tueſday the twenty-ſecond of *June* laſt, purſuant to his Honor the Governor's Warrants: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Four Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Simeon Munro* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Benjamin Hunt* of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Twenty-four Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Hire of one of his Horſes that was rode by *Allen M'Lean*, who went Expreſs to *Boſton* on His Majeſty's Service, and for keeping the ſaid *M'Lean's* Horſe whilſt he was gone: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Eighteen Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Benjamin Hunt* out of the General Treaſury.

What follows, is the Copy of an Account exhibited to this Aſſembly.

1756. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; to *James Clay* of *Rehoboth*: Dr.--

June 4. FOR carrying *Richard Plummer* to *Boſton*, according to your Order, and delivering him to Capt. *Shirley*, Capt, of the *Mermaid*.

For the Expences of myſelf, and *Plummer*, and Aid,	£. 23	0 0
For my Time, and two Horſes Journey, in carrying him,	30	0 0
For my Aid's Journey to *Boſton*,	15	0 0
June 10. To my Journey to *Newport* to carry you an Expreſs,	10	0 0
	£. 78	0 0
June 21. Received in Part of the above,	40	0 0
Due to *Clay*,	£. 38	0 0

Errors excepted per *me* James Clay.

And the Account foregoing, being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Twenty Pounds more thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *James Clay* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Eaſton* and *Obadiah Brown*, Eſqrs. Mr. *William Read*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to examin the Account of Meſſrs. *Nicholas Brown* and *John Brown*, and compare the ſame with the Laws of the Colony, and make Report unto this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas *Abner Weſt* exhibited the following Account unto this Aſſembly.

" 1758. March 17. *Colony of Rhode-Iſland to Abner Weſt*, Dr.---

To the Ride of my Horſe from hence to *Newport*, in conveying a Letter to the General Treaſurer,	£. 3	0
To Expences of myſelf and Horſe, while in *Newport*, - -	5	15

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Little-Reſt, March 17th. *Abner Weſt.*"

And this Aſſembly having duly examined the ſaid Account, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Eight Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Abner Weſt* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Glaſs Windows of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Account be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-four Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury. .

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged by *Samuel Greene* againſt *George Gardner*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, for Boards and Joiſt delivered by the ſaid *Samuel* for the Colony-Houſe in ſaid County : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eight Pounds Seven Shillings and Two Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Greene* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſupporting in ſaid Gaol, ſundry inſolvent Perſons committed at the King's Suit : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty Pounds Fourteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Capt. *Benjamin Sherburn* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for a Quantity of ſliding Shot by him furniſhed for two Privateers that were ſent out by his Honor the Deputy Governor, in *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, in Queſt of a *French* Privateer that was ſaid to be upon our Coaſt, and had taken one Veſſel or more : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-nine Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Sherburn* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Francis Skinner*, of *Newport*, Book-binder, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for a Book by him made to be uſed in the Secretary's Office : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*,

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That the ſaid Account be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty Five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Francis Skinner* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Tillinghaſt* of *Newport*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for a Quantity of Cannon Shot by him delivered the Gunner of the Fort, by Order of Capt. *William Mumford*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed, and that One Hundred and Forty-three Pounds Two Shillings and Ten Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Tillinghaſt* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Samuel Chace*, Eſq, Keeper of the Poſt-Office in *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Poſtage of ſundry Letters on the Government's Buſineſs, deliver'd the late Governor *Greene*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed; and that Twenty Pounds Seven Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Chace* out of the General Treaſury; which his Honor the Governor is requeſted to draw an Order for.

Whereas *Thomas Burkett*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was Firſt Lieutenant of Col. *Chriſtopher Harris*'s Company, in the laſt Campaign made, for reducing *Crown-Point* to the Obedience of His Majeſty: And upon Capt. *Amos Hammond*'s being diſmiſſed from the Service, he the ſaid *Thomas Burkett* was intitled to fill that Vacancy, and thereupon applied himſelf to Col. *Harris*, who anſwer'd, That the Campaign being near over, it was altogether Needleſs to wait upon the General for a Commiſſion; and that there was no Doubt of his being allowed the Pay of a Captain, which the Petitioner now prayed for. And this Matter being duly enquired into, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Thomas Burkett*, in his ſaid Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, *that is to ſay*; he ſhall be allowed the Difference between the Pay of a Captain and Lieutenant, for the Time he acted as Captain, he having receiv'd the Whole of a Lieutenant's Pay already.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Peter Bours* and *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſqrs. for the County of *Newport*; *Thomas Arnold*, and *Obadiah Brown*, Eſqrs. for the County of *Providence*; Meſſrs. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun. and *Latham Clarke*, for the County of *Kings County*; *Giles Pearce*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. for the County of *Kent*, and *Joſeph Ruſſell*, Eſq; and Mr. *Thomas Throop*, for the County of *Briſtol*, be a Committee, to enquire what Fines and Forfeitures belong to the Colony, which has not been paid into the General Treaſury, and whoſe Hands the ſame is in; and in a particular Manner

Manner to enquire what Forfeitures have been made by Perſons who were convicted of Counterfeiting the Bills of Credit of this Colony, as well thoſe which have been paid into the General Treaſury, as thoſe which have not.

Whereas *Thomas Birkett* of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, preferred a ſecond Petition, and repreſented to this Aſſembly, that in the Courſe of the laſt Campaign, he was ſent to eſcort ſome ſick Men from Fort *Edward* to *Albany*: That while he was at *Albany*, he received Orders to tarry there to guard a Convoy of Proviſions and Rum from that City to the Camp: That three Weeks were elapſed before all Things were ready, becauſe it was very difficult to procure Carriages: That in the Time of his Stay at *Albany*, he was obliged to expend Six Pounds Ten Shillings *New-York* Currency of his own Money, for his Board and other Neceſſaries. And thereupon, the ſaid *Thomas Birkett* prayed to have the ſaid Sum reimburſed unto him. And the Matter being duly enquired into, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Six Pounds Ten Shillings *New-York* Currency, be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Thomas Birkett* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Obadiah Brown*, *Joſhua Babcock*, and *Job Randal*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to enquire into the State of the Treaſury: How much Money the Treaſurer has hired for the Colony's Uſe, and to diſtinguiſh how much, and what Sort of Money he has hired by each and every Order or Act of Aſſembly; and alſo to conſider what Rate or Rates is or are neceſſary to be aſſeſſed, and make Report as ſoon as may be.

Whereas *Latham Clarke* of *South Kingstown*, Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that he furniſhed a Mare (valued at Fifty Pounds) for one of the Soldiers to ride upon in the late Expedition; which Mare was loſt in the Colony's Service. And this Matter being duly enquired into, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifty Pounds be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Latham Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Richards* of *Newport*, Merchant, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *John Miller* and *John Burt*, Maſters of two Sloops belonging to him the ſaid *William Richards*, were proſecuted at laſt *November* Court by the General Treaſurer, who recovered of each of them, the Penalty of Four Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor, becauſe they came from *New-York* at a Time when the Small Pox was in that City, and upon their Arrival here, ran up to the Wharff, without waiting to be ſearched according to the Directions of a Law of this Colony: For which Penalties, Executions are iſſued againſt the ſaid *John Miller* and *John Burt*. Wherefore the ſaid *William Richards*, in their Behalf, prayed this Aſſembly to afford them ſome Re-

lief, as they were ignorant of the Law in that Caſe. And this Affair being duly enquired into, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Six Hundred Pounds of the above-mentioned Fines, be, and hereby is remitted: And that upon the ſaid *John Miller* and *John Burt's* paying each the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, with the Coſts of the Suits againſt them, they be diſcharged from the Judgments aforeſaid.

Upon the Petition of *George Gardner*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, reſpecting His Majeſty's Gaol in the ſaid County, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Edmunds*, *Othniel Gorton*, *Thomas Arnold*, and *Joſeph Ruſſel*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to take a View of the Gaol aforeſaid, and ſee what is neceſſary to be done to the ſame, either by repairing, or otherwiſe, and make Report as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas Mr. *Caleb Carr*, Lieutenant of Fort *George* on *Goat-Iſland*, within the Townſhip of *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented, That at the Seſſion of the General Aſſembly begun and holden at *Newport* on the fourth Monday of *Auguſt*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, he was choſen and appointed to the Office which he now ſuſtains, with an Allowance of Sixty Pounds *per* Month, which he humbly thinks is not a ſufficient Reward for his Services, as he gives conſtant Attendance, and carries on the Works there, and ſo forth. And the Premiſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Wages of the Lieutenant of the Fort aforeſaid, be, and hereby are augmented to Seventy Pounds *per* Month for the future.

Whereas *Benjamin Miller* and *John Cole*, Eſqrs. and *Edward Boſworth*, Yeoman, all of *Warren*, in the County of *Briſtol*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they had receiv'd of *Joſeph Munro* and his Aſſociates (who were lately convicted of counterfeiting Bills of Credit emitted by this Colony) Eight Sixteen Pound Bills of the ſaid counterfeit Money, for which they, the Petitioners, rendered a valuable Conſideration: That whereas a conſiderable Eſtate in this Colony, belonging to the ſaid *Munro*, was forfeited to the Government by his Conviction, and ſold by the Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, and the General Treaſurer, for the Colony's Uſe: That the Petitioners expecting the General Treaſurer would redeem thoſe counterfeit Bills, applied to him for that Purpoſe, but was informed, there was no Proviſion or Order made, directing him to do ſo: Whereupon they prayed ſome proper Remedy might be provided for their Relief.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Ruſſel*, Eſq; and *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to ſell at Vendue to the higheſt Bidder

Bidder (after proper Notice hath been given) all such Estate as the above-named *Joseph Munro* had, in any Lands within this Colony, at the Time of his Conviction, and deposit the Money arising from such Sale, in the General Treasury, to be appropriated as by Law it ought.

Whereas in the Months of *March* and *April* last, Eighteen Hundred and Fifty-three of His Majesty's Troops were landed at *Providence* in the Colony aforesaid, where they were quartered upon, and properly provided for by the Inhabitants, during the small Stay they made there. And now was exhibited an Account of the Expences arising thereby, charged against the Colony: Which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Thousand One Hundred and Two Pounds Fifteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be advanced unto Lieut. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*, and *James Angel*, Esq; out of the General Treasury, to be by them paid as soon as may be, to the several and respective Persons unto whom the same is due, taking Receipts, and making Report as soon as may be.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Obadiah Brown* Esq; and Mr. *William Read*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to dispose of the Colony's Vessel to the best Advantage, either by a private Sale, or Public Vendue, first giving Notice thereof in the *Boston* News Papers.

An ACT for Assessing and Levying upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, a Rate or Tax of Six Thousand Pounds, in the Bills of Lawful Money dated in *August*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-six; and also a Rate or Tax of One Hundred and Ten Thousand Pounds in Bills of the Old-Tenor.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority of the same, It is Enacted, That a Rate or Tax be assessed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, to wit, of Six Thousand Pounds of the Lawful Money dated in *August*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-six; which shall be levied, collected, and brought into the General Treasury on or before the twenty-third Day of *August* next: And also a Rate or Tax of One Hundred and Ten Thousand Pounds, in Bills of Public Credit of the Old-Tenor, to be levied, collected, and brought into the General Treasury, on or before the last Day of *November* next: Which Rate or Tax of Lawful Money, is for the sinking all the outstanding Bills of that Sort that were emitted as is aforesaid. And the other is to discharge the Colony's Old-Tenor Debts, for Money hired of sundry Persons at *Ten per Cent.*

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Rates or Taxes aforesaid, shall be, and hereby are apportioned unto and upon the several Towns, at the same Rate and Proportion as the last Colony-Rate was; that is to say:

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	Lawful Money.			*Old-Tenor.*		
The Town of *Newport* ſhall pay	£. 1200	0	0	£. 22000	0	0
Portſmouth,	269	15	3	4945	12	11
Newſhoreham,	127	0	0	2328	6	8
Jameſtown,	135	3	6 1/4	2478	4	11
Middletown,	184	13	3	3384	11	3
Tiverton	198	5	6 1/2	3635	1	7 1/4
Little-Compton,	195	3	5	3578	2	7 3/4
	£. 2310	0	0	£. 42350	0	0
The Town of *Providence* ſhall pay	£. 454	13	7 1/4	£. 8335	16	1
Smithfield,	346	4	0	6347	0	0
Scituate,	153	12	0	2816	0	0
Glocester,	153	0	0	2805	0	0
Cumberland,	100	1	7	1834	15	8 1/4
Cranſton,	232	8	9 1/2	4261	8	2 3/4
	£. 1440	0	0	£. 26400	0	0
The Town of *Weſterly* ſhall pay	£. 151	0	11 1/2	£. 2769	6	4 1/2
North-Kingſtown,	271	17	3 1/2	4984	6	11
South Kingſtown,	438	8	5	8038	0	11
Charleſtown,	104	11	1 1/4	1916	19	1 1/4
Exeter,	132	18	10 1/2	2437	7	0 1/2
Richmond,	91	2	3 1/4	1670	9	6 1/2
Hopkinton,	124	11	0	2283	10	1
	£. 1314	9	11 1/4	£. 24100	0	0
The Town of *Briſtol* ſhall pay	£. 158	17	2 1/4	£. 2912	2	0
Warren,	146	12	9 3/4	2687	18	0
	£. 305	10	0	£. 5600	0	0
The Town of *Warwick* ſhall pay	£. 277	12	5	£ 5089	13	9
Eaſt-Greenwich,	154	17	2 1/4	2839	1	6
Weſt-Greenwich,	98	15	2 3/4	1810	12	4 1/2
Coventry,	98	15	2 3/4	1810	12	4 1/2
	£. 630	0	0 1/2	£. 11550	0	0

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of each reſpective Town, ſhall aſſeſs and apportion the Rates aforeſaid, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame, unto the Clerk of the Town unto which they reſpectively belong, within twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and that the ſaid Town Clerk ſend a Copy thereof in four Days after his receiving the ſame, unto the General Treaſurer, who is hereby directed and required to iſſue his Warrants in four Days unto the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in each reſpective Town, after his receiving the ſaid Bill or Liſt.

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"WE the Subſcribers, beg Leave to proteſt unto the former Proportions to the ſeveral Towns, in the ſeveral Counties in this Colony. And we are of the Opinion, that the Repreſentatives of each County, can make a juſter Proportion relative to their ſeveral Towns in ſaid Counties, than what now is voted in this Houſe.

Thomas Arnold, *Giles Pearce,*
Jeremiah Mowry, *John Shearman,*
John Dexter. *John Warner*, jun."
Othniel Gorton,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*, be, and he hereby is appointed in the Room of Mr. *Benj. Gardner*, one of the Committee to make Enquiry what Quantity of Iron, and out of what Materials hath been made in this Colony, from Chriſtmas, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Forty-nine, until the third Day of *January*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix; and that the ſaid Buſineſs be done with all poſſible Diſpatch, that an Account thereof, may be immediately ſent Home to the Board of Trade.

Whereas Lieut. Col. *Benj. Wickham*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Tar, Turpentine, and Oyl, by him delivered to *George Brown*, Eſq; for the Uſe of the Colony's Veſſel: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-nine Pounds Eight Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Wickham* out of the General Treaſury

Whereas Col. *Stephen Low* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of One Hundred and Eleven Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, Horſehire, and Expences, in rendring Services unto the Government, in his public Character, at ſundry Times, in the Years One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, and One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven: And the aforeſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Sixty Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Stephen Low* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT for raiſing the Fines upon delinquent Officers and Soldiers of the ſeveral Troops of Horſe in this Colony.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That from and after the Publication of this Act, all commiſſion'd Officers of the ſeveral Troops of Horſe in this Colony, who ſhall not make their Appearances upon every Training Day, ſhall be ſubject to a Fine of Thirty Pounds; and every non-commiſſioned Officer, and common Trooper, ſhall be ſubject to a Fine of Six Pounds *per* Day for the like Neglect.

Whereas *Thomas Spencer*, one of the Conſtables of the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Horſehire, in going to Maj. *Stephen Potter*, by Order of the late Governor *Greene*, to ſummon the Major to appear before his Honor, in order to be ſworn into that Office, at the Time when one ſixth Part of the Militia was ordered to be raiſed; and alſo for his Time, Horſehire, and Expences, in a Journey made to *Newport*, to carry the ſaid Governor's Warrants, for ſummoning the Members of the General Aſſembly, to meet at *South-Kingstown*, and hold a Seſſion there, on Tueſday the fourteenth of *February* laſt: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas upon the Petition of *George Gardner*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, a Committee was appointed to take a View of His Majeſty's Gaol in the ſaid County, and ſo forth. And the Gentlemen having performed that Service, reported, "That in their Judgments, the ſaid Gaol, and the Wall round "the ſame, may be repaired, and put in good Order for many "Years, for a Sum of Money in Old-Tenor, not exceeding Six "or Eight Hundred Pounds; which they conceive will be more "Advantagious to the Inhabitants of this Colony, than building "a new One at this Time:" And the ſaid Report being maturely conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted; and that *William Read*, and the Sheriff of the County aforeſaid, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to repair the ſaid Gaol, by laying out thereon, not exceeding the above-mentioned Sum of Six or Eight Hundred Pounds.

Whereas Mr, *Matthew Robinſon*, one of the Gentlemen by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *Newport*, on the firſt Wedneſday of *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty, appointed to run and ſettle the Northern Boundary Line of this Colony, according to the Royal Charter granted by King *Charles* the Second, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, Horſehire, and Expences, in ſeveral Journies by him made upon that Occaſion: And the ſaid Account being examined by a Committee of the Lower Houſe, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Two Hundred and Eighty Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence Old Tenor, and Fifteen Dollars, with one Sixth Part of a Dollar, be allowed and paid the ſaid Mr. *Robinſon* out of the General Treaſury.

Here ought to have been Printed the Election of all the Officers fo. 33. 34. 35. &c

An ACT erecting a Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the ſeveral Companies or trained Bands

Bands, of which the Militia in the County of *Briſtol* doth now, or hereafter may conſiſt, ſhall be, and hereby are erected and made into a Regiment, to be governed, guided, and led by one Colonel, one Lieutenant Colonel, and a Major, who ſhall be annually choſen and commiſſioned as the other Field Officers in this Colony are.

And forasmuch, as there is a Neceſſity that Field Officers ſhould be ſpeedily elected for the ſaid Regiment, Maj. *Thomas Greene* is choſen and appointed Colonel, *Nathaniel Pierce*, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel, and Capt. *Joſiah Humphrey* Major of the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Fourteen Hundred Pounds for his Salary, and extraordinary Services, as Governor of this Colony, in the Years One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, and One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, and be alſo allowed in the ſame Proportion, from the fourteenth Day of *March* laſt, when he was choſen Governor by the General Aſſembly, until the laſt General Election.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Repreſentatives of the late deceas'd Governor *Greene*, be allowed in the ſame Proportion for his Salary and extraordinary Services, from the General Election in *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, until the Day of his Death.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Charles Spooner* be, and hereby is choſen Lieutenant of the firſt Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *Caleb Gardner*, jun. who is advanced, and that *John Gardner* (Son of *William*) be, and hereby is choſen Enſign of the ſaid Company, or trained Band, in the Room of the ſaid *Charles Spooner*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cole* be, and he is hereby choſen Captain of the Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Warren*, in the Stead of *Joſiah Humphry*, Eſq; who is now choſen Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*, *Benjamin Cole* is choſen Lieutenant of the ſaid Company, or trained Band, in the Room of the ſaid *Thomas Cole*, and *James Bowen* Enſign of the ſame, in the ſaid *Benjamin Cole*'s Room.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Secretary of this Colony, for the Time being, ſhall, and is hereby directed and required to ſend Copies for the future, of all Acts and Orders that are made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly from time to time, unto each of the Sheriffs of the Counties of *Newport*, *Providence*, *Kings County*, *Briſtol*, and *Kent*: Each of which Copies is to be by him ſent with Copies for the Clerks of the Towd in which the Sheriff lives: And all of the ſaid Sheriffs are hereby required to ſtitch the ſaid Acts and Orders together, and carry them to every Seſſion of the General Aſſembly that ſhall be holden in either of the Counties above-mentioned.

Whereas

Whereas *Peleg Rogers*, Town Sergeant of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſweeping, cleanſing, and taking Care of the Colony Houſe during the laſt twelve Months; for Brooms uſed in that Buſineſs, for ſawing and carrying Wood into the ſaid Houſe for the Uſe of the Courts there ſitting, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-eight Pounds Two Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peleg Rogers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Pelſue* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his attending on the Governor and Council, upon the eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth Days of *Auguſt* laſt. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Pelſue* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT to prevent the detaining or ſecreting Soldiers already inliſted, or that may be hereafter inliſted into His Majeſty's Service, in this or either of the neighbouring Governments in *New-England*.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That every Perſon in this Colony, who ſhall detain or ſecrete any Soldier that is already inliſted, or may hereafter inliſt into His Majeſty's Service, in this or either of the neighbouring Governments in *New-England*, for the preſent or any future Expedition that may be ſet on Foot in this Colony, or that ſhall detain any of the Cloathing of ſuch Soldier, on any Account or Pretext whatſoever, or that ſhall attempt to carry out of the Colony a Soldier inliſted as aforeſaid, the Offender being duly convicted thereof, in any Court of Record within this Colony, ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine to the King, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor; to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, who is hereby impowered and directed to ſue for the ſame: Which Fine ſhall be appropriated to and for the Uſe of the Colony.

And the Secretary is hereby directed to publiſh this Act forthwith, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*.

Which was accordingly done, the 17th Day of June, 1758, *at the Colony Houſe, and three other of the moſt public Places in the Town of* Newport, *By* THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Maj. *James Arnold*, jun. be, and he hereby is appointed to repair the Bridge ſtanding between the Towns of *Warwick* and *Cranſton*, commonly called *Patuxet* Bridge, and lay the Charge thereof before the General Aſſembly.

Whereas

Whereas *Joſeph Ruſſel*, Eſq; exhibited an Account of Fifteen Shillings Lawful Money, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, and Expences, whilſt inſpecting into the Conduct of the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes, in the County of *Briſtol*, and making Report unto the General Treaſury, by Order of the General Aſſembly: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Ten Pounds Old Tenor, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Joſeph Ruſſel* out of the General Treaſury, in full for his above mentioned Services.

Whereas *Ebenezer Brown*, one of the Deputies of the Sheriff of the County of *Kings County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for notifying *Daniel Coggeſhall* and *Jeffry Watſon*, Eſqrs. to meet at *Providence*, in order to join in the Conſtituting of that Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, which was begun and holden there in *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, and the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers.

George Hall, Stephen Potter, Randal Rice, John Greene, and John Bucklin, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Coventry*.

William Brownel, jun. Eſq; a Juſtice for *South-Kingstown*, in the Room of William Hull, who refuſed; and John Lillibridge, Eſq; a Juſtice for the ſame Town.

Benjamin Slack, Eſq; a Juſtice for *Scituate*.

Johah Steere, Eſq; a Juſtice for *Gloceſter*, to be the Youngeſt.

John Hill, Eſq; to be the firſt Juſtice in the Town of *Charlestown*.

Richard Brownel, Eſq; for *Little-Compton*, a Juſtice in the Room of William Wilbore, Eſq; the Second, who refuſed.

Stephen Potter, Eſq; Lieut. Col. of the Regiment in the County of *Kent*, in the Room of John Spencer, Eſq; (Son of William) who refuſed.

OFFICERS to command the reſpective Companies, or Trained Bands in this Colony.

Newport. 1. Jonathan Otis, *Captain*; Caleb Gardner, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Charles Spooner, *Enſign*.

2. Job Bennet, jun. *Captain*; Thomas Richardſon, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Ebenezer Davenport, jun. Enſign.

3. James Rogers, *Captain*; Timothy Balch, *Licutenant*: and Edward Simmons, *Enſign*.

4. Jabez Champlin, *Captain*; Timothy Ingraham, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Howland, *Enſign*.

Providence. 1. Stephen Rawſon, *Captain*; Knight Dexter, *Lieutenant*; and Bernard Eddy, *Enſign*.

2. Joſiah Thornton, *Captain*; John Waterman (Son of Joſeph) *Lieutenant*; and Arthur Fenner, jun. *Enſign.*

3. Thomas Whipple, jun. *Captain*; Benjamin Whipple, jun. *Lieutenant*; and William Brown, *Enſign.*

4. Joſeph Whipple, *Captain*; Samuel Thurber, *Lieutenant*; and Stephen Jenckes, *Enſign.*

Portſmouth. 1. Benjamin Cornel, *Captain*; Benjamin Hall, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Shearman, *Enſign.*

2. John Allen, jun. *Captain*; Caleb Hill, *Lieutenant*, and Joſhua Allen, *Enſign.*

Warwick. 1. John Waterman, *Captain*; William Warner, jun. *Lieutenant*; and John Lippitt, *Enſign.*

2. James Arnold (Son of Eliſha) *Captain*; William Greene, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Miller, jun. *Enſign.*

3. William Potter, *Captain*; Thomas Greene (Son of Fones) *Lieutenant*; and Stukely Stafford, *Enſign.*

Weſterly. 1. Joſhua Thompſon, *Captain*; John Lewis (the third) *Lieutenant*; and Abraham Lewis, *Enſign.*

2. John Crandal (Son of Peter) *Captain*; James Bliven, *Lieutenant*; and Stephen Wilcox jun. *Enſign.*

Newſhoreham. George Gardner, *Captain*; John Pain, *Lieutenant*; and Carder Haſzard, *Enſign.*

North-Kingstown. 1. George Whightman, jun. *Captain*; Jeremiah Fones. *Lieutenant*; and John Greene, *Enſign.*

2. Jeremiah Northup, *Captain*; William Northup, *Lieutenant*; and William Eldred, *Enſign.*

3 Sylveſter Hyams, *Captain*; George Fowler, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Phillips, jun, *Enſign.*

South Kingstown 1. John Wilſon, *Captain*; Nathaniel Mumford, *Lieutenant*; and David Babcock. jun. *Enſign.*

2. Nathaniel Helme, *Captain*; Daniel Shearman, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Job Babcock, jun. *Enſign.*

Eaſt-Greenwich. 1 Caleb Sheffield, *Captain*; Henry Tibbits, jun *Lieutenant*; and Chriſtopher Vaughan, *Enſign*

2. Thomas Briggs (Son of Benjamin) *Captain*; Thomas Place, *Lieutenant*; and Michael Spencer (Son of Abner) *Enſign.*

Jameſtown. Samuel Slocum, *Captain*; Thomas Bently, *Lieutenant*; and Benjamin Sheffield, jun. *Enſign.*

Smithfield. 1. Chriſtopher Brown, *Captain*; John Wilkinſon, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Mowrey, *Enſign.*

2. Stephen Arnold, *Captain*; Oliver Mann, *Lieutenant*; and Arnold Pain, *Enſign.*

3. Eliſha Sayles, *Captain*; Joſeph Mowrey, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Chriſtopher Angel, *Enſign.*

Scituate 1. Nicholas Edwards, *Captain*; Ezekiel Phillips, *Lieutenant*; and Robert Potter, *Enſign.*

2. George Dorrance, *Captain*; John Herenden, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Bennet, jun. *Enſign.*

3. Benjamin Slacke, *Captain*; Bernard Hale, *Lieutenant*: and James Wheeler, *Enſign.*

4. Hezekiah Walker, *Captain*; Joſeph Weatherhead, *Lieutenant*; and John Pierce, *Enſign.*

Glocester.

Glocester. 1. Chad Brown, *Captain*; William Hawkins, *Lieutenant*; and Jeremiah Steere, *Enſign.*

2. John Smith, jun. *Captain*; Jonathan Harris, *Lieutenant*; and Noel Arnold, *Enſign.*

3. Thomas Barns, *Captain*; Abraham Waterman, *Lieutenant*; and Eliakim Richmond, *Enſign.*

Charleſtown; Nathaniel Sheffield, *Captain*; Amos Greene, *Lieutenant*; and Eliſha Clarke, *Enſign.*

Weſt-Greenwich. 1. Tibbits Hopkins, *Captain*; Job Spencer, *Lieutenant*; and Alexander Hopkins, *Enſign.*

2. Shibna Spink, *Captain*; Benjamin Greene, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Benjamin Sweet, jun. *Enſign.*

3. Simeon Draper, *Captain*; Benjamin Greene, *Lieutenant*; and Henry Tanner, *Enſign.*

Coventry. 1. Joab Stafford, *Captain*; Benjamin Colvin, *Lieutenant*; and Eliſha Johnſon, jun. *Enſign.*

2. Thomas Eddy, *Captain*; Iſrael Bowen, *Lieutenant*; and Samuel Greene, *Enſign.*

Exeter. 1. Stephen Albro, *Captain*; Benjamin Weight, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Wilcox, jun. *Enſign.*

2. Newman Perkins, *Captain*; William Hyams, *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Barber, *Enſign.*

Middletown; John Clarke, *Captain*; Samuel Mumford, *Lieutenant*; and Jonathan Weeden, *Enſign.*

Briſtol. John Reynolds, jun *Captain*; John Wardwell, *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Carey, *Enſign.*

Tiverton. 1. Iſaac Mancheſter *Captain*; William Sanford, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Corey, *Enſign.*

2 Oliver Cooke, *Captain*; George Weſtgate, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Stephen Talman, *Enſign.*

Little-Compton David Hillyard, *Captain*; Thomas Burgis, *Lieutenant*, and Henry Wood, jun. *Enſign.*

Warren. Joſiah Humphreys, *Captain*; Thomas Cole, *Lieutenant*; and Benjamin Cole, *Enſign.*

Cumberland. 1 Nathaniel Whipple, *Captain*; Benjamin Tower, *Lieutenant*; and John Grant, *Enſign.*

2. Gideon Tower, *Captain*; Ariel Ballue, *Lieutenant*; and Daniel Whipple, jun. *Enſign.*

Richmond. Nicholas Larkin, *Captain*; Barnet Siſſon, *Lieutenant*; and John Thomas, *Enſign.*

Cranſton. 1. Richard Searle, jun. *Captain*; Joſeph Carpenter, *Lieutenant*; and Obadiah King, *Enſign.*

2. William Field, *Captain*; Peleg Arnold, *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Sprague, *Enſign.*

3. Iſrael Gorton, jun. *Captain*; John Burton, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Ephraim Congdon, *Enſign.*

Hopkinton. 1. John M'Coon, *Captain*; Roger White, *Lieutenant*, and Elias Lewis, *Enſign.*

2. Edward Wells, jun. *Captain*; Lawton Palmer, *Lieutenant*; and Benjamin Randal, jun. *Enſign.*

William

William Mumford *Captain*, and Caleb Carr *Lieut.* of the Fort.

Caleb Hacker, Adjutant of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

First Troop of Horſe in *Newport*.

Benjamin Sherburn, *Captain*; Henry Sowle, *Lieutenant*; Peter Mumford, *Cornet*; and Iſaac Dayton, *Quarter-Maſter*.

Second Troop.

Thomas Church, *Captain*; Aaron Wilbore, *Lieutenant*: Job Almy (Son of Samuel) *Cornet*; and Peris Richmond, *Quarter-Maſter*.

Providence Troop of Horſe.

Benjamin Bowen, *Captain*; John Fenner, *Firſt Lieutenant*; James Hoyle, *Second Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Naſh, *Cornet*.

Joſeph Wanton, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*, in the Room of *Joſiah Lyndon*, Eſq; who refuſed; *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel in Mr. *Wanton's* Room, and *Jonathan Otis*, Eſq; Major.

Caleb Gardner, jun. Captain of the firſt Company of *Newport*, in the Room of Major *Otis*.

Joſeph Belcher, Captain of the ſecond Company in *Newport*, in the Room of Mr. *Bennet* advanced

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh in *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within five Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, together with Copies of the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, unto each Town Clerk in the Colony, according to Law, and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the third Monday of *Auguſt* next. *And it is farther Voted and Reſolved*, That the Secretary ſend a Copy of the Act made and paſſed at this Seſſion, for aſſeſſing and levying the Rates or Taxes upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, to each Town Clerk, for the Direction of the Aſſeſſors.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, June *the* 22*d*, 1758, *by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly Examined Witneſs Tho. Ward Secry

In Juſtice to the Secretary, I muſt acquaint the Public, that ſome Time before the General Aſſembly ſat in June laſt, he delivered me three Sheets, containing the major Part of the Acts and Orders made and paſt at the Election, likewiſe in proper Seaſon, thoſe which were paſt in June: *But having been for many Years, frequently urged by ſeveral Gentlemen, to publiſh a News-Paper, I undertook one; which for Want of Help, prevented my diſpatching the Colony's preſent Buſineſs ſooner than this Day. Having procur'd an Aſſiſtant, I promiſe myſelf, to be able to accompliſh the Proceedings of the Aſſembly, for the future, agreable to Expectation.*

Newport, October 20. 1758 J. F.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on *Monday* the twenty-firſt of *Auguſt*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of Great-Britain, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Governor.

The Hon. *JOHN GARDNER*, Eſq; Dep. Gov.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
JOSEPH BROWNEL, Eſq;
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JEOFFRY WATSON, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. PETER BOURS, Eſq; Speaker:

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benja. Wickham*,
Edward Scott, Eſq;
The Speaker.
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

Providence;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *William Smith*,
Lt. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*.

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton*,
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Walter Cornel, Eſq;
Capt. *Robert Barker*.

Warwick,

Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Maj. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Capt. *Joſeph Stanton*,
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
None.
North-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Ebenezer Brown*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Jeoffry Haſzard*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Giles Pierce, Eſq;
Jameſtown ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Capt. *William Hazard.*
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey.*
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Benjamin Smith, Eſq;
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter.*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins.*
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*,
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *William Baley*,
John Barker, Eſq;
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *William Peirce.*
Tiverton ;
Mr. *John Bowen.*
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth.*
Warren ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Capt. *Thomas Cole.*
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Nicholas Larkin.*
Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
William Burton, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Edward Wells, jun. Eſq

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *Henry Babcock*, Eſq; Col. of the Regiment by this Colony raiſed, for the Campaign of the current Year, hath by Letter informed the Committee of War, that Mr. *Caleb Hacker*, Captain of a Company in the ſaid Regiment, hath returned without Leave of the ſaid Colonel, or letting him know of it; which Conduct of him the ſaid *Hacker*, if paſſed by unnoticed, may be attended with very pernicious Conſequences: Wherefore, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War do, as ſoon as conveniently may be, ſend the ſaid *Caleb Hacker* back again to the Army, that he may be dealt with according to his Deſert.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* ſell the broken Arms belonging to the Colony, at public Vendue on Thurſday next at two o'Clock in the Afternoon.

What follows, is a Report preſented by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame; unto which is ſubjoined their Oaths.

"WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, at their Seſſions in *March*, 1758, to take an Eſtimate of all the Rateable Eſtates, and Number of Polls, in the Town of *Briſtol*; and having purſued the Direction of the Law in that Caſe made and provided, do report as follows, viz.

"We find the Amount of all the Rateable Eſtates, to be Seven Hundred and Thirty-one Thouſand Eight Hundred and Thirteen Pounds, and Twelve Shillings: And the Number of Polls One Hundred and Eighty-three.

Briſtol, Auguſt 17. 1758. *Nathaniel Pearſe,*
Thomas Throope,
Royal Payne."

"*Briſtol, ſs.* On the 18th Day of *Auguſt*, *A. D* 1758, appeared the above Subſcribers, and made ſolemn Oath, that the above Eſtimate or Valuation of the Rateable Eſtates, and Number of Polls in the Town of *Briſtol*, is made according to the beſt of their Knowledge.

Teſt Shearjaſhub Bourn, *Juſt. Peace.*"

And the ſaid Report being duly examined and conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Mr. *Martin Howard*, jun. exhibited the following Account to wit.

"*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to* Martin Howard, *jun. Dr*---

For four Bills of Coſt taxed againſt *Julian Wolford* and *Chriſtiana Reuſhen*, at *November* Seſſions of the Peace, 1756, at *Newport*, convicted of Theft; at which Court I was appointed Attorney General, Col. *Updike* being ſick. 92 18 0

N. B. The above two Women having no Eſtate, were ſold to pay the above Coſts, but they ſcarcely ſold for enough to pay the Perſon who whipped them; ſo that the above Coſts ſtill remain unpaid.

Providence, March 15. 1757. M. Howard, jun."

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That ſo much of the above-mentioned Bills of Coſt as belongs to the aforeſaid *Martin Howard*, jun. by the Laws in Force at the Time he was appointed, and officiated as King's Attorney, be paid him the ſaid *Martin Howard*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq; and Lieut.Col. *Barzillai Richmond*, be, and they, or any two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *Samuel Angel* with the Colony, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas

Whereas *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing One Hundred Proclamations, for raiſing the Thouſand Men ordered by the General Aſſembly to be raiſed in this Colony, for the preſent Campaign: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Jeremiah Whipple* of *Cumberland*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Timber, Plank, Nails, and Labour by him provided, done, and procur'd to be done, for and in repairing the Bridge between the Town of *Smithfield*, and the ſaid Town of *Cumberland*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Seventeen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jeremiah Whipple* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Jonathan Barney*, of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Eighteen Pounds, charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſehire, and Expences, in a Journey by him made to *Warwick*, to convey a Letter to the late Governor *Greene*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fourteen Pounds of it be allowed and paid the ſaid *Jonathan Barney* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas an Indian Woman, called and known by the Name of *Sarah Mew*, of *Warwick*, in the County of *Kent*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That her Husband *George Mew*, a Molatto Man, went laſt Year in the Colony's Service, as a Soldier in one of the Companies that was raiſed in *Newport*: That he was taken at the Reduction of Fort *William Henry*, by the *French*, who carried him away, at leaſt he hath never come back, and there have been ſeveral Reports of his being dead; but as nothing of Certainty hath occurred, in ſo long a Space of Time, it is very probable that he will never return: That as the Petitioner hath ſeveral ſmall Children, whom ſhe is unable to maintain, ſhe applied to the Committee of War for her ſaid Husband's Wages: Thoſe Gentlemen informed her, that there was a Ballance of One Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny, due on Account of his Wages, but that they could not pay the ſame with Safety, unleſs the General Aſſembly ordered it: Wherefore the ſaid *Sarah Mew* prayed, that the Committee of War may be directed to pay the ſaid Sum into the Hands of ſome proper Perſon, ſo that it may be laid out to the beſt Advantage of the Family left by the ſaid *George Mew*. And this Aſſembly having duly enquired into, and conſidered the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforeſaid Ballance of One Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny, be paid by the Committee of War

War unto *Benjamin Arnold* of *Warwick*, Eſq; for the Uſe of the Wife and Children of the ſaid *George Mew*; and that the ſame be improved and applied to and for their Support, in the beſt and moſt frugal Manner he can.

What follows is the Report of the Committee that was appointed to examin Mr. *William Ellery*, jun. late Naval-Officer, his Account concerning the Light-Houſe.

" Dr.--*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *for Charges upon the Light-Houſe.*

		£.		
1758. *March.*	TO Caſh paid Mr. *Rivera* for Oil	140	0	0
	To Ditto paid for Wick,	4	0	0
	To Caſh paid Mr. *Rivera* for Oil,	134	0	0
	To Ditto paid Mr. *Benj. Nichols's* Ballance,	94	9	9
	To Ditto paid for Bruſhes,	2	10	0
	To Ditto paid Freight of Oil,	1	4	0
	To Ditto paid for Wick,	2	8	0
	To Ditto paid *Joſiah Arnold*, carting,	40	0	0
	To Ditto paid Mr. *Rivera*, Oil,	345	0	0
	To Ditto paid for Wick,	5	0	0
	To Ditto paid Freight of Oil,	1	16	0
	To Mr. *William Ellery*, junior's Commiſſions,	48	10	4½
	To Caſh paid Mr. *George Gardner* the Ballance,	9	19	4½
		£. 1028	17	6

Creditor.

		£.		
1758. *March.*	BY 6559 Tons foreign Veſſels, at 2/6 per Ton, - - - -	£. 819	17	6
	By 209 Coaſters, at 20/. - -	209	0	0
		£. 1028	17	6

Newport, Auguſt 3. 1758.

EXamined the above Vouchers, and ſettled the above Account with Mr. *William Ellery*, jun. and found a Ballance due to ſaid Light-Houſe, of Nine Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Four Pence Farthing, which he hath paid to Mr. *George Gardner* the preſent Naval Officer.

Peter Bours,
Thomas Cranſton."

Unto which Report, the Committee ſubjoined the following Account.

" *Colony*, - - - Dr---

To our Trouble in ſetling the above Account, - £. 6 - -

Peter Bours,
Thomas Cranſton."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: That the foregoing Account be allowed, and Six Pounds, the Amount thereof, paid the ſaid *Peter Bours* and *Thomas Cranſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honour the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to make earneſt Application unto his Excellency General Abercrombie, for Pay for the Hire of the Veſſels employed in the Tranſportation of the Troops raiſed laſt Year in this Colony, to *Albany*: And that in the mean Time, the Committee of War ſettle with the Owners of the ſaid Tranſports, and pay them for the Hire of their ſaid Veſſels.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they hereby are directed to pay for all the Small Arms that were either impreſſed or hired for the Colony's Service ſeveral Years paſt, and have not been returned to the Owners; and that the Payment be according to Appraiſment, and the true Value of our Money at the Time of their being hired or impreſſed.

Whereas *John Spooner* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Work done on the Colony-Houſe and Gaol in *Newport*, and for two new Caſements for the ſaid Gaol: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Nineteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Spooner* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Joſeph Edmunds*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, and Horſehire, in a Journey which he made to *Cumberland*, in order to conſult with *Jeremiah Whipple*, Eſq; about repairing the Bridge between *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Six Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Edmunds* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas it appears unto this Aſſembly, that many of the Soldiers raiſed by this Colony for His Majeſty's Service, in the preſent Expedition, under the Command of his Excellency Maj. Gen. Abercrombie, have deſerted and returned Home:

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That his Honour the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to iſſue forthwith a Proclamation, commanding all ſuch Deſerters immediately to reſign themſelves up to ſome one of the Committee of War for this Colony, aſſuring thoſe, that do ſo voluntarily, within ten Days after the Day of the Date of ſuch Proclamation, that they ſhall be recommended to Mercy; and alſo calling upon and ſtrictly commanding all Officers, both Civil and Military, within this Colony, and all other His Majeſty's liege Subjects, to exert their Authority, and uſe their utmoſt Endeavours, immediately to apprehend and ſecure ſuch Deſerters, and promiſing a Reward for apprehending and ſecuring each Deſerter, the Value of one Month's Pay of ſuch Deſerter:

Deſerter: And that his Honour alſo inſert in his Proclamation, Abſtracts of ſuch Acts of Parliament, and Laws of this Colony, as have been made for puniſhing ſuch as *conceal, ſupport, trade with, or any way aid or aſſiſt Deſerters*; and alſo for the Encouragement of thoſe who ſhall apprehend and ſecure them.

AND it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That all Deſerters who ſhall reſign themſelves, or be apprehended, ſhall be ſent back to their Duty by the Committee of War, in the moſt expeditious and ſafe Manner: And that all Officers in this Colony, both Civil and Military, that ſhall refuſe, or any Way neglect to do their Duty in apprehending and ſecuring any Deſerter or Deſerters, ſhall for every Offence, forfeit the Sum of One Hundred Pounds (to be recovered by any one of the Committee of War, by Action of Debt) and be removed from their Office, and rendered abſolutely incapable of holding any Office in this Colony afterwards.

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by *Samuel Greene* charged againſt *Joſeph Scott*, Eſq; for Shingles, Boards, and Timber, by the ſaid *Greene* delivered in *May*, 1756, when the ſaid *Scott* was Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, for repairing His Majeſty's Gaol in the ſaid County: Which Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-eight Pounds Eleven Shillings, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Greene* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Newport*, hath informed this Aſſembly, that the Book of Records in his Office, is written almoſt full: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Clerk procure a new Book for the Buſineſs of his Office, at the Colony's Expence.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Bounty or Premium which ſhall be given for apprehending a Deſerter from the Regiment raiſed by this Colony, and now actually in His Majeſty's Service, ſhall at the Time of paying off the Soldiers, be deducted out of the Wages of ſuch Deſerter, together with the Expences that may ariſe or accrue from apprehending, ſecuring, and returning him to the Regiment: And whenever it ſhall happen, that there is not enough due to a Deſerter, to pay ſuch Premium, he ſhall be ſold by one of the Committee of War for Payment thereof, and ſtand committed to Gaol until he is ſold.

Whereas *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making a Copy of Mr. *Brenton*'s long Account with the Colony, purſuant to an Order of the ſaid Houſe, for the Committee to examin: And the ſaid Clerk's Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed

allowed, and that Two Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſias Lyndon* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Andrew Burnet* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Eighty-five Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for boarding two of the *French* King's Subjects, that by the Fortune of War were taken Priſoners, and brought into this Colony: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Sixty-two Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Andrew Burnet* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Seventy-ſix Pounds Twelve Shillings, by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Subſiſtence of *Edward Springer* and *Elizabeth Clarke*, who were confined in the ſaid Gaol at the King's Suit: Of which Sum he had receiv'd of Mr. Sheriff *Gardner*, Forty-five Pounds and Nineteen Shillings, Part of the Money for which the ſaid *Springer* and *Clarke* were ſold, and no more; ſo that there is a Ballance of Thirty Pounds Thirteen Shillings due to the ſaid Gaol-keeper. And this Aſſembly having made due Enquiry into the State of the aforeſaid Account, *It is Voted* and *Reſolved*, That the aforeſaid Ballance of Thirty Pounds Thirteen Shillings, be allowed and paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Andrews*, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Money by him paid to ſundry Perſons whom he employed to carry Preſs-Warrants to the major Part of the Captains of his Regiment, in the Month of *March*, 1757, and for their Horſehire and Expences: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifty-two Pounds Three Shillings and Six Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid Col. *Andrews* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, *James Helme*, *Job Randal*, and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to examin the Account of *Jableel Brenton*, Eſq; with the Colony, and report their Opinion upon the ſame, unto this Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion.

Whereas *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Trouble in attending upon the Executors of the late Governor *Greene* in *Warwick*, to receive of them the Charter, with a Book, called *Fones's* Records, and ſundry other Papers belonging to the Government, and afterwards delivering the ſame to his Honor the preſent Governor, at *Providence*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be,

and

and hereby is allowed, and that Ten Pounds, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* out of the General Treaſury.

What follows is the Report of the Committee that was appointed to enquire concerning Iron, and ſo forth.

"WE the Subſcribers, being a Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſions in *Auguſt*, *Anno Dom.* 1757, to make Enquiry what Quantity of Iron, and out of what Materials hath been made in this Colony, from Chriſtmas, *A D.* 1749, to the 5th Day of *January*, 1756, do report as follows:

That there has been made of Pig Metal, imported from *New-York*, *Philadelphia*, and the *Jerſeys*, in ſaid Time, Five Hundred and Eighty-nine Tons, Nine Hundred, one Quarter, and Sixteen Pounds, and out of Bog Oar, One Hundred and Thirteen Tons, One Hundred Two Quarters and Twenty-two Pounds.

Thomas Arnold,
Immanuel Northup,
Stephen Potter."

Unto which Report, the Committee ſubjoined the following Account.

"*Colony of Rhode-Iſland*, - - - Dr---

TO our Time and Trouble in procuring ſaid Account and making Report, - - - £. 15 - -

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And his Honour the Governor is requeſted to ſend Home as ſoon as conveniently may be, an Anſwer to the Queries ſent by the Board of Trade, reſpecting the Iron Manufacture of this Colony. *And it is alſo Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee's Account be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid them the aforeſaid *Thomas Arnold*, *Immanuel Northup*, and *Stephen Potter*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas ſundry Accounts were exhibited to the Lower Houſe, charged againſt *John King* of *Scituate*, in the County of *Providence*, whoſe Son *Thomas* was murdered laſt *October*, by *John Abſolom*, an *Indian* Man: Whereupon the ſaid Houſe appointed a Committee to examin the ſaid Accounts; and the Gentlemen having undertaken and performed that Service, reported as followeth, to wit.

"*Newport, the 24th of Auguſt, A. D.* 1758.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee to ſettle the Accounts of *Jabez Bowen*, Eſq; *Job Randal*, Eſq; *Nathaniel Phillips*, and *Benjamin Slack*, having conſidered ſaid Accompts, do report as follows

To *Jabez Bowen*, Eſq; - - £. 15 0 0
To *Job Randal* Eſq: - - 10 0 0

To *Benjamin Slack*,		10 8 0
To *Nathaniel Phillips*,		10 0 0
	£.	45 8 0

per *Stephen Potter*,
Joſhua Clarke."

And this Aſſembly having duly conſidered the ſaid Report, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted; and that the ſeveral Sums above-mentioned, be paid out of the General Treaſury unto each of the Perſons againſt whoſe Name the Sum is reſpectively ſet.

Whereas *Ebenezer Teſt* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account amounting to Twenty-ſeven Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for attending on the General Aſſembly at their Seſſions in *South-Kingstown*, three Days in *February*, and ſix in *March* laſt: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Thirteen Pounds Ten Shillings thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Teſt* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *William Read* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for One Hundred and five Days Work and Attendance, by him done and given at the Fort: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Gideon Comſtock*, *Othniel Gorton*, and *Thomas Arnold*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examin the ſaid Account, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; and Capt. *William Haſzard*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to examin the Accounts of *Joſiah Arnold*, Eſq; ariſing againſt the Colony from the Light-Houſe; that when they have ſo done, they draw the Ballance out of the General Treaſury, and pay it unto the ſaid *Joſiah Arnold*, taking his Receipt for the ſame: And that the Money ſo drawn out of the General Treaſury, be replaced out of the Money that ſhall ariſe from the Duty impoſed on Shipping, for the Maintenance of the Light-Houſe, when a ſufficient Fund is collected thereby.

An ACT augmenting the Duty on Shipping, for the better Support of the Light-Houſe.

WHEREAS it has been found by Experience, that the Duties ariſing on the Navigation of this Colony, are not ſufficient for the Maintenance of the Light-Houſe:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the better Maintenance and Support of the Light-Houſe, the Duty on Veſſels in this Colony, ſhall be, and hereby is augmented to Fifteen Pence,

Sterling

Sterling Money of *Great-Britain*, on every Coaſting Veſſel, and to Two Pence Sterling *per* Ton, for all other Veſſels, or an Equivalent thereto, in Old-Tenor, at the Option of the Party that pays the ſame.

Whereas a Committee was by the General Aſſembly appointed to enquire into the Claims made upon the Eſtate which *Joſeph Munro* lately forfeited to the Colony: And the Gentlemen having undertaken the ſaid Buſineſs, preſented the following Report, to wit:

"WE the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee by the General Aſſembly, to examin the Demands of ſundry Perſons upon the Eſtate of *Joſeph Munro*, of *Swanſey*, do report as followeth, *viz.* That there is due to *Richard Hale* upon his two Notes of Hand, Two Hundred and Forty Pounds Fourteen Shillings, and likewiſe to *John Kelly*, on his Bond, Sixty-one Pounds Seventeen Shillings, and due to *Eliſha Luther*, One Hundred and Six Pounds Ten Shillings on his Bond, and due to *Amos Bowen*, on his Note, Thirty-four Pounds Six Shillings.

Thomas Greene,
Nathaniel Fales."

And this Aſſembly having duly conſidered the ſaid Report, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the Sum of Two Hundred and Forty Pounds Fourteen Shillings, be paid to *Richard Hale*; the Sum of Sixty-one Pounds Seventeen Shillings, to *John Kelly*; the Sum of One Hundred and Six Pounds Ten Shillings, to *Eliſha Luther*; and the Sum of Thirty-four Pounds Six Shillings, to *Amos Bowen*; the whole out of the General Treaſury.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That all Warrants that are now granted, or ſhall at any Time hereafter be iſſued, for collecting Rates or Taxes, ſhall continue, abide, and remain in full Force, to all Intents and Purpoſes, until the whole of each reſpective Rate or Tax ſhall be levied and collected.

Whereas *George Gardner*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Trouble in receiving *French* Officers who have been taken Priſoners of War, and brought into this Colony, and placing them out to Board from time to time; for his Time, Trouble, Horſehire, and Expences, in ſummoning the Members of the Upper and Lower Houſe to meet at *South-Kingſtown* and conſtitute that Seſſion of Aſſembly that was holden there on Tueſday the fourteenth of *February* laſt, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued for that Purpoſe by the late Governor *Greene*; for Money advanced to purchaſe a white Wand, Wood, and Sand, for the Colony Houſe; and for ſundry other Services rendered the Community: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted*

Voted and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-nine Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Gardner* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Smith* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Plank, Boards, Poſts, and Work by him furniſhed and procured to be done in and upon the County Houſe in *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ninety-five Pounds Nine Shillings and Ten Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Smith* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Joſeph Sanford*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account amounting to One Hundred and Four Pounds Eight Shillings, charged againſt the Colony for Nails and Blankets by him furniſhed for the Uſe of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty Pounds Eight Shillings, the Ballance thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Sanford*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Handley Chipman*, of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Diſtiller, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that he purchaſed ſome Time paſt, for carrying on the Buſineſs of Diſtilling and Soap-boiling, a large Lot of Land at the South End of the Town of *Newport* aforeſaid, with a ſmall Houſe thereon, unto which he hath made a conſiderable Addition, and alſo erected a Still-Houſe, Soap-Houſe, Cooper's Shop, Ware-Houſe, Joiner's Shop, Chaiſe-Houſe, and Stable, which involved him conſiderably in Debt : Nevertheleſs, he had Hopes to clear himſelf ſpeedily by his Buſineſs, and probably ſhould have done it, had not War come on, which has in a great Meaſure broke up the Buſineſs of Diſtilling, and greatly injured almoſt every other Trade. This put the Petitioner upon endeavouring to find out another Way to clear himſelf of his Difficulties : That a Voyage preſented, in which he thought there was a good Proſpect of effecting it ; and accordingly he went to Sea, but was unfortunately taken by the Enemy, and loſt all he had with him, which was pretty conſiderable : So that inſtead of bettering his Circumſtances, he became plunged deeper in Debt, and now hath no Way to extricate himſelf, but by ſelling his Eſtate. And as no Perſon, who will give any Thing near the Value of it, preſents to purchaſe, he the ſaid *Handley Chipman* prayed for Liberty to open and erect a Lottery for not exceeding the Sum of Thirty Thouſand Pounds.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Handley Chipman* in his aforeſaid Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted :

granted: And to the End that the ſaid Lottery may be properly and regularly carried on, *It is farther Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *Elnathan Hammond*, *James Tanner*, *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) *Jonathan Otis*, and *Henry Ward*, be, and hereby are choſen Directors or Managers of the ſame.

Whereas *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; and Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, were appointed by the Lower Houſe, at laſt *October* Seſſion of Aſſembly, to audit an Account charged againſt the Colony, by the Owners of the Sloop *Robey*: And the ſaid *Eliſha* and *Daniel* having underraken and performed that Service, reported, that they are of Opinion, that there is due to the ſaid Owners, the Sum of Twenty Pounds Ten Shillings and Four Pence Sterling, equal to Four Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds Eight Shillings Old-Tenor: And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that Twenty Pounds Ten Shillings, Sterling Money of *Great-Britain*, or Four Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds Eight Shillings, in Bills of Credit of the Old-Tenor, be paid out of the General Treaſury, unto the Perſons who owned the ſaid Sloop *Robey*, in the Month of *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write proper Anſwers to the Letters which he receiv'd from *Hiſpaniola*, with Regard to a Church being robbed there, informing that this Government will do all in their Power to diſcover the *Perpetrators* of that *Sacrilege*. His Honor is alſo requeſted to write unto the Honorable *James De Lancey*, Eſq; Lieut Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of *New-York*, requeſting him to inform this Government what he knows of the above Affair: And that after the Governor ſhall have received an Anſwer from Mr. *De Lancey*, he proceed with the Advice of his Council, either to releaſe *John Shearman*, who now ſtands committed to His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, on that Account, or keep him there confined.

Whereas *Silas Gardner* of *North-Kingstown*, in the County of *Kings County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Government having recovered a Judgment againſt him for the Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor, and Coſt, had ſued out Execution thereof: That he hath a large Sum of Money due to him from ſundry Perſons that have entered into His Majeſty's Service, and are now making the Campaign: That they are by a Law of the Colony protected againſt legal Proceſſes, unleſs for a conſiderable Sum, which puts it out of his Power to ſatisfy the ſaid Execution at preſent: Wherefore he the ſaid *Silas* prayed that the ſaid Execution may be returned ſatisfied, upon his giving Bond, with ſufficient Sureties, for paying the Money due to the Colony, unto the General Treaſurer, within one Year.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Silas Gardner* in his Petition aforeſaid made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, *provided* Lawful Intereſt be included in the Bond, and Mr. *Iſaac Gardner*, Father of the Petitioner, enter jointly and ſeverally into the Obligation with him, and thereby become the ſaid *Silas*'s Surety.

Whereas in the Month of *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, his Honor the Deputy Governor (upon a Rumor of a *French* Privateer's being upon the Coaſt) ſent out two armed Veſſels in Queſt of her: One of which touched at *Block-Iſland*, where ſhe was ſupplied with four Sheep and a Cheeſe by Mr. *Edmund Sheffield* of that Place, all to the Value of Forty-three Pounds Sixteen Shillings Old-Tenor: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Speaker of the Lower Houſe draw the Sum of Forty-three Pounds Sixteen Shillings out of the General Treaſury, and pay the ſame unto whom it ſhall appear to him to be due.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That, in order to ſupply the Treaſury, the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to hire for a Term of Time not exceeding one Year, at the Rate of *Six per Cent. per Annum*, as many of the Bills of Credit emitted by this Colony, called *Lawful Money*, as he can, not exceeding the Value of One Hundred and Fifty Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, and Mr. *William Read*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to enquire what Military Stores belonging to the Colony, are upon the Iſland of *New-Shoreham*, *alias Block-Iſland*; and that they be delivered unto *George Gardner*, Captain of the Company or trained Band of the ſaid *New-Shoreham*.

Whereas the Lower Houſe conſtituted a Committee to audit the Account of *William Mumford*, Captain of the Fort: And the Gentlemen ſo conſtituted, having undertaken and performed that Service, made and endorſed the following Report on the ſaid Account, to wit:

"WE the Subſcribers, being appointed to examin the within mentioned Account, have compared the Vouchers, and find the Amount to be Two Thouſand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Four Shillings and Five Pence, excluſive of Capt. *William Mumford*'s Wages or Commiſſions.

Benjamin Wickham,
Daniel Ayrault, jun."

And this Aſſembly having duly conſidered the ſaid Report, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the ſaid Sum of Two Thouſand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Four Shillings and Five Pence, be paid the ſaid *William Mumford* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

Whereas *Benoni Hall* of *Exeter*, in the County of *Kings County*, and Colony aforeſaid, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That his Son *Henry Hall*, and one *Parry* of *Newport* aforeſaid, were taken Priſoners, and carried into *New-Orleans*, upon the *Miſſiſippi*, where they have been confin'd for more than a Year; and that there is no Proſpect of their being releaſed within any reaſonable Time: Whereupon the ſaid *Benoni* prayed this Aſſembly to recommend it unto his Honor the Governor, to grant a Commiſſion, authorizing him to proceed with a Flag of Truce unto the ſaid *New-Orleans*, in order to fetch them Home, propoſing, and alſo offering to carry as many of his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty's Subjects, now Priſoners of War in this Colony, as ſhall be willing to go thither, and to bring from thence as many *Britiſh* Subjects who are Priſoners of War there, as he can. And the Subject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, having been duly enquired into and conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer thereof be, and is hereby granted; and accordingly his Honor the Governor is requeſted to iſſue unto the aforeſaid *Benoni Hall*, a Commiſſion for the Ends and Purpoſes above mentioned.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſt, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, unto every Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the fourth Monday of *October* next, if called at that Time by his Honor the Governor, or his Honor the Deputy Governor: But if not called before nor at ſaid Time, that then this Aſſembly ſhall be diſſolved.

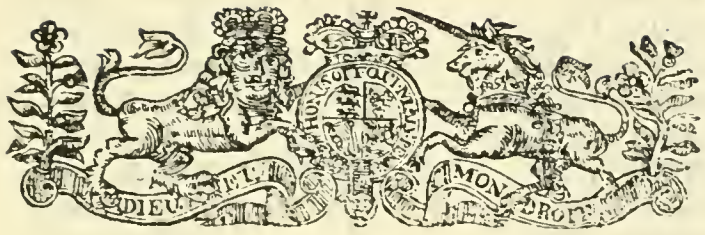
GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the fifth Day of September, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS Tho. Ward Secry



At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Governor and Company of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt *Wedneſday* of *October*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of Great-Britain, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;	
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;		DANIELL COGGESHAL, Eſq;	
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;		JEOFFRY WATSON, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benja. Wickham*,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Col. *Chriſtopher Harris*,
Lt. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*.

Providence;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;

Portſmouth;
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Capt. *John Shreive*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Shearman*, jun.

Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, Eſq;
Maj. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Samuel Ward, Eſq;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
None.
North-Kingſtown ;
Immanuel Northup, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Fones.*
South-Kingſtown ;
Latham Clarke, Eſq;
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *Rufus Spencer.*
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *William Martin*,
Mr. *Iſaac Howland.*
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey.*
Scituate ,
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Rufus Smith*
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Capt. *Peleg Croſs.*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins.*
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter.*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *Joſeph Holloway.*
Middletown ;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Tiverton ;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth.*
Warren ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Capt. *Thomas Cole.*
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, *Eſq*;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Samuel Teſt, Eſq;
Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
William Burton, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Edward Wells, jun. Eſq;

Peter Bours, Eſq; was choſen Speaker ; and *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, *Obadiah Brown*, and *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſqrs. and Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to examin all the public Letters in the Hands of his Honor the Governor, which have been ſent to this Colony, or the Governors of the ſame, and make Report unto this Aſſembly, which of them ſhall be recorded, beginningwith the firſt Letter ſent by Sir *Thomas Robinſon* : *And it is farther Voted and Reſolved*, That any two of the Committee have Power to act, and alſo to conſider and determin which of the Anſwers returned to the ſeveral Letters, it will be proper to record.

Whereas *Gideon Comſtock*, *Job Randal*, *Benjamin Nichols*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. were appointed by the laſt General Aſſembly, a Committee, and they, or any two of them, authorized

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to examin the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; with the Colony, and report their Opinion upon the ſame, unto this preſent Aſſembly: But the ſaid Committee having not yet been able to compleat the Buſineſs to them committed, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That they be, and hereby are farther continued a Committee for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: And that they, or the major Part of them, make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas *Nehemiah Marks* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for furniſhing *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Newport*, with nine Quires of Demi Paper to make a Book for Records, for the ſaid Clerk's Office: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-five Pounds Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nehemiah Marks* out of the General Treaſury.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That from and after the Publication of this Act, the Governor of the Colony for the Time being, ſhall have Power, and hereby is authorized to draw upon the General Treaſurer, in order to pay the Poſtmaſters reſiding within this Government, for the Poſtage of all public Letters, and other Papers, ſent to this Colony, or to the Governor and Company thereof, to the Amount of Twenty Pounds Old-Tenor, and no more, at any one Time: And that the ſaid Poſtmaſters do once a Year, render unto the General Aſſembly, a particular Account of what Money they receive out of the General Treaſury, and for what they received the ſame.

Whereas *Francis Skinner* of *Newport*, Bookbinder, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for binding and making into a Book, nine Quires of Paper, for the Uſe of the Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-five Pounds Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Francis Skinner* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Mumford*, Capt. of Fort *George*, who was appointed by the General Aſſembly to carry on the Building of the ſaid Fort, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Money by him advanced to purchaſe Lime, and for ſundry other Diſburſements which the Service neceſſarily required: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, excluſive of Commiſſions; and that the Ballance thereof, being Eight Hundred and Sixty-three Pounds Nineteen Shillings and

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Ten Pence, be paid the ſaid Capt. *William Mumford* out of the General Treaſury: And that the Conſideration of the Article of Commiſſions, be, and hereby is referred unto another Seſſion of the General Aſſembly.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *Mumford* be, and he is hereby directed to ſell all the empty Hogſheads in his Cuſtody, that belong to the Colony, for the moſt they will fetch.

An ACT for ſupplying the Treaſury.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That in order to ſupply the Treaſury, the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to hire within thirty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, for a Term of Time not exceeding one Year, at the Rate of *Six per Cent. per Annum*, as much Money in *Gold* and *Silver*, and in the Bills of Credit called *Lawful Money* and *Old-Tenor*, as he can, not exceeding the Value of *Two Hundred Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor*: That he give Bonds to repay all he hires, in the ſame *Species* that he receives, excepting the Old-Tenor Bills; of which Sort the Government ſhall have the Liberty to pay the Sum hired, either in Old-Tenor, or a Dollar for every Five Pounds Ten Shillings thereof.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the whole of the Sum above-mentioned, cannot be hired in Manner as is aforeſaid, the Deficiency ſhall be made up, in emitting whatever the ſame may be in Bills of Credit equal to Lawful Money, of the ſame Tenor, and to be ſigned by the ſame Gentlemen as the laſt Ten Thouſand Pounds emitted by an Act of the General Aſſembly in *May* laſt, were: And that the Bills bear Date at the Time of their being printed.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That a Rate or Tax be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, collected, levied, and brought into the General Treaſury, within one Year, ſufficient to pay off ſuch Sums as the Treaſurer may hire in Conſequence of this Act: And that the Bills (if any are emitted purſuant hereto) be redeemed at the Expiration of five Years, or ſooner, if the General Aſſembly ſhall think fit, by a Rate or Tax upon the Inhabitants of the Colony, to be, by that Time, levied, collected, and brought into the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War do pay the Owners of the Veſſels that were employed as Tranſports in the Year 1757, to carry Soldiers unto *Albany* (that is to ſay, ſuch of them as have not yet been paid) the Sum of Ten Shillings Sterling *per* Month, for every Ton the ſaid Veſſels meaſure: And that the ſaid Owners ſatisfy the Committee aforeſaid, as to the Time their Veſſels were really in the ſaid Service.

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It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to procure the Printing of ſuch Bills of Credit as may be emitted, or the major Part of them, agree with any Perſon to perform that Service, who will do it in the beſt and cheapeſt Manner.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Hon. *John Andrews*, Eſq; whom His Majeſty hath been pleaſed to appoint Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony, be ſworn to the faithful Execution and Diſcharge of the ſaid Office, before his Honor the Governor.

Afterwards, to wit, on the 28th Day of this Inſtant *October*, the above-named *John Andrews* appeared, and in Preſence of his Honor the Governor, and the reſt of the Council, *took and ſubſcribed the State Oaths, and alſo an Oath for his faithful Execution and Diſcharge of the Office of Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony.*

Whereas *Job Hawkins* of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, Shopkeeper, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is now confined to His Majeſty's Gaol in *Providence*, upon Execution for Debt, the Amount of which, with the Demands of his other Creditors, is more than he at preſent is, or ever ſhall be able to ſatisfy, if continued in Confinement: That his Inability to pay what he owes, was not owing to any bad Conduct in him; but that his Trade being confined chiefly to the buying and ſelling dry Goods, his Misfortunes aroſe from the Depretiation of our Currency: That unleſs he obtains Relief from the General Aſſembly, he expects to languiſh in Gaol, it being difficult and ſcarcely poſſible to prevail upon all his Creditors to unite in Meaſures to procure him his Liberty: And as the General Aſſembly have heretofore relieved many of the King's Subjects under the like Circumſtances, the ſaid *Job Hawkins* prayed, that the *Act for Relief of Inſolvent Debtors*, made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, may be extended unto him; and that he conforming himſelf to the Conditions of the ſaid Act, may have the Benefit thereof.

On due Enquiry into, and mature Conſideration on the Premiſes,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Job Hawkins*, in his aforeſaid Petition made, be and the ſame is hereby granted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Othniel Gorton* and *Job Randal*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to examin the Laws of this Colony reſpecting Flags of Truce; and enquire alſo into all Proceedings reſpecting the ſame, ſince the Commencement of the preſent War, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſt, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, unto each Town Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be adjourned to the laſt Monday of *February* next. *And it is farther Voted and Reſolved nevertheleſs,* That if the Camp ſhall break up, and the Troops in the Pay of this Colony return before that Day, his Honor the Governor be, and hereby is requeſted to call the General Aſſembly together, if he, with the Advice of his Council, ſhall think it neceſſary.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the ſeventh Day of November, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, by*

THO. WARD. *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.
WITNESS *Tho Ward Secry*

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the Governor, and holden at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Eighteenth of *December*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

Aſſiſtants.
JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;

JOSEPH BROWNEL, Eſq;
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
DANIEL COGGESHALL, Eſq;
Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. PETER BOURS, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benj. Wickham*,
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
The Speaker,
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Col. *Chriſtopher Harris*,
Lieut. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*.

Portſmouth;
Mr. *John Shearman*.

Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, Eſq;
Maj. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Samuel Ward, Eſq;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
NONE.
North-Kingſtown ;
Immanuel Northup, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Fones*.
South-Kingſtown ;
Latham Clarke, Eſq;
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *Rufus Spencer*.
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *William Martin*;
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*.
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey*.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*,
Capt. *Rufus Smith*.
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Capt. *Peleg Croſs*.
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*.
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *Joſeph Holloway*.
Middletown ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *William Pearſe*.
Tiverton ;
Mr. *John Bowen*,
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth*.
Warren ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Capt. Thomas Cole.
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
William Burton, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Benjamin Randal, Eſq;

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the Grand Committee, compleat that Buſineſs, ſo as to make Report, *without fail*, unto this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion ; and that the Report be made in ſuch a Manner, as that the General Aſſembly may know the true State of the Grand Committee's Office in every Particular.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the ſame Committee make Enquiry, whether the Keeper of the Office of the Grand Committee hath given Bond for the faithful Performance and Diſcharge of his Duty in the ſaid Office, for the preſent Year ; and if they ſhall diſcover he hath not, that then they the ſaid Committee, ſee that ſuch a Bond be given by him immediately, with two good Sureties as uſual.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, and *Obadiah Brown*, Eſqrs. and Lieut. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*, be, and they, or any Two of

of them, are hereby conſtituted a Committee, to examin the Accounts of Col. *Samuel Angel* with the Colony, reſpecting the Expence of his Table, while he was commanding Officer of all the Forces raiſed by this Colony for the Campaign in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Providence* be, and he hereby is appointed and directed to repair the lower Room of the Court-Houſe in the ſaid County, together with the Chamber in which the Houſe of Deputies uſually ſit, by lengthening the ſouthern Seats, putting up Rails before all the innermoſt Seats in the ſaid Chamber, by taking out the old, and ſupplying their Places with new Saſh Windows; that the ſame be done at the Colony's Charge, by the next Seſſion of the General Aſſembly; and that the old Windows, with the Caſements and Glaſs, be ſold by the ſaid Sheriff to the beſt Advantage, towards paying for the above-mentioned Repairs.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff aforeſaid be, and he hereby is impowered and directed to make, as ſoon as the Seaſon will permit, full and compleat Repairs of the Outſide of the Court Houſe aforeſaid, by new Shingling and new Clapboarding the ſame, by painting the Outſide, and procuring proper Stone-Steps for the Doors.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all the able-bodied effective Men now in the Pay of this Colony, be, and they hereby are retained in the Government's Service, during the Pleaſure of the General Aſſembly, excepting the Field and Commiſſioned Officers, who are hereby diſcharged.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Edmunds*, Eſq; *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; and Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; as one of the Committee of War.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq; *Samuel Chace*, Eſq; and Mr. *Joſeph Lippitt*, be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Abraham Smith*, as one of the Committee of War.

What followeth, was preſented unto this Aſſembly, by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame.

Dr.—*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* Thomas Richardſon, *Eſq*; *General Treaſurer.*

1758.	TO Caſh for ſundry Diſburſiments, from *February*, 1755, to *November*, 1758, taken from the Treaſurer's Alphabetical Books	£. 139540	12	1 1/2
	To *Ditto* for the ſeveral Expeditions, from 1755 to 1758, excluſive of what was entered in the Alphabet, and charged in the above Article, as *per* Treaſurer's Book,	608280	9	5 1/2
	To the Treaſurer's Salary, for the Years			

1754.

1754, 55, 56, to *October*, 1757, three and an half Years, at Two Hundred Pounds,	700	0	0
To *Ditto* to *October*, 1758; as *per* Act of Aſſembly, - - - -	600	0	0
To an Allowance to the Treaſurer for his extraordinary Services, granted him by the General Aſſembly, *September*, 1757, -	1000	0	0
To ſhort Intereſt of the 8th Bank, for the Towns of *Warwick* and *Weſterly*, 1754,	2	14	0
To Caſh paid on Account of the Colony's Brigantine, as *per* Treaſurer's Book,	19133	13	2 ½
To *Ditto* paid ſundry Orders, drawn on Account of Fort *George*, as *per* Treaſurer's Book, - - - -	9501	13	2
To *Ditto* paid ſundry Charges on making Lawful Money, - - -	1828	3	4
To *Ditto* paid Bonds given to ſundry Perſons, for old Bonds taken up, -	36666	8	0
To *Ditto* paid *William Mumford* for the Loſs on the Tickets in the Fort Lottery,	1280	0	0
To *Ditto* paid for Orders drawn by the firſt Deputies of the ſeveral Towns, in Favor of ſundry Perſons, on Account of the Expedition in *Auguſt*, 1757, - -	40967	6	11
To 700 *Non eſt* Bonds, as *per* Account taken by the Committee, - -	4297	18	9
To Monies of the Bank 1740, that was called in and exchanged, delivered the Committee, which was burnt, -	958	19	7
To Ballance of Dollar Account, 252 Dollars, at £. 5 10 - -	1441	0	0
To Ballance due from *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer of the Colony; being Fourteen Thouſand Nine Hundred and Fifty Seven Pounds One Shilling and Three Pence Half Penny, in Money and Bonds, -	14957	1	3 3/4
	£. 881156	0	10 ¼

Creditor.

1758. BY Ballance due to the Colony from the General Treaſurer, as *per* Audit, *January* 31. 1755. - - - -	29003	19	5 ¼
By Intereſt of the 8th Bank, for the Year 1754. - - - -	6400	0	0
By *Ditto* of the 9th *Ditto*, for the Years 1754, 55, 56, and 57, - -	47407	8	0
By Caſh receiv'd for Fines, Forfeitures, *&c.* as *per* Treaſurer's Books,	3598	8	3
By *Ditto* hired of ſundry Perſons, and Bonds renewed, - -	185373	15	0

By

By a Bill of Exchange drawn on *William Baker* of *London*, by the Agent Victualler, £. 407 2 10 Sterling, at 24 for one,	9771	8	0
By *Crown-Point* Money, made at ſundry Times, and receiv'd of the Grand Committee,	240000	0	0
By Caſh receiv'd out of the Grand Committee's Office, and what was left in the Treaſurer's Hand by the Committee of War, in Lawful Money, - -	41393	14	5
By Caſh received for Law-Books, -	90	10	0
By a Rate for Fort *George*, in *October*, 1754,	10000	0	0
By *Ditto* to ſupply the Treaſury, *November*, 1756, - - -	53000	0	0
By *Ditto* to ſupply *Ditto*, *June*, 1757,	100000	0	0
By *Ditto* to ſupply *Ditto*, *Sept.* 1757,	150000	0	0
By Ballance of Lawful Money emitted in 1756, as *per* Account, £. 270 9 5 *One Farthing*, at Thirteen and One Third for One,	3606	6	0
By Ballance of *Ditto*, emitted in 1758, as *per* Account, 82 7 11 at Thirteen and One Third for One, - - -	1510	11	9
	£. 881156	0	10 ¼

WE do report, That we have ſettled the Accounts of *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, with the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and find a Ballance due from ſaid *Richardſon* to the Colony, of the Sum of Fourteen Thouſand Nine Hundred and Fifty-ſeven Pounds One Shilling and Three Pence Half-penny, as will appear by the Account ſettled, and herewith preſented. Witneſs our Hands, *Newport*, *Nov.* 27, 1758.

John Tillinghaſt,
Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield,
} Committee.

Unto which Report, the Committee added the following Account.

TO our Time and Trouble in ſettling the above Account, *viz.*

John Tillinghaſt	36 Days,	£. 108
Thomas Cranſton	36 *Ditto*,	108
Peter Bours	27 *Ditto*,	81
James Sheffield	20 *Ditto*,	60
		£. 357

John Tillinghaſt,
Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield."

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration, *Do Vote and Reſolve*, *and it is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be,

and is hereby accepted, that the foregoing Account of the Committee be allowed, and that Three Hundred and Fifty-ſeven Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid them out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Coggeſhall*, Eſq; Capt. *Daniel Fones*, and *Latham Clarke*, Eſq; be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of Mr. *Lodowick Updike* all ſuch Mortgages, Bonds, and other Papers, as belong to the Colony, which were in the Hands of his Father, the late *Daniel Updike*, Eſq; at the Day of his Death, and deliver what they receive, unto the Treaſurer of the Grand Committee, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby impowered and requeſted to draw the Sum of Thirty Dollars out of the General Treaſury, and pay Two and an Half of them to each of the Carters belonging to this Colony, who carried the Baggage of Col. *Frazier*'s Regiment from *Providence* to *Boſton*, and have as yet receiv'd but ſeven Dollars and an Half each.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee which was appointed to diſpoſe of the Colony's Veſſel, be, and they hereby are directed and fully impowered to ſell her for the moſt they can get; and that the Purchaſe Money be applied to the Colony's Uſe.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; be, and he hereby is added to, and made one of the ſaid Committee.

Whereas Mr. *William Paul*, one of the Deputies of the Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Service, Horſehire, and Expences, in ſummoning the Members of the Upper and Lower Houſe, in the ſaid County living, to meet and hold this preſent Seſſion of Aſſembly: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Paul* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſions in *May*, *June*, *Auguſt*, and *October* laſt; for printing the laſt Rate-Bill, and Two Hundred Proclamations, iſſued by his Honor the Governor, with Extracts from the Laws of *Great-Britain* and this Colony, reſpecting Deſerters, and furniſhing Paper for all thoſe Services: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Forty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *William Sheehan*, a Lieutenant in the Regiment raiſed by this Colony for the laſt Expedition, was appointed Quarter-Maſter of the ſaid Regiment by the Colonel, and acted as ſuch during the Campaign: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *William Sheehan* be,

be, and he is hereby allowed the *Pay of a Captain*, for and during the whole Time he performed the Duty of Quarter-Maſter; which Pay ſhall be in full for his ſerving both as Quarter-Maſter and Lieutenant.

Whereas Maj. *James Arnold*, jun. who was appointed to repair the Bridge at *Patuxet* Falls, having performed that Service, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony, for Plank and Timber by him provided for doing the ſaid Buſineſs; for Money he advanced to ſundry Perſons for their Work upon and about the ſaid Bridge; for his own Work, and for boarding the Men he employed: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Hundred and Twenty-one Pounds Three Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and ſundry others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Bridge at *Patucket Falls* is gone very much to decay, and will ſoon become unfit for the Paſſage of Travellers, unleſs ſomething be done to it ſoon; whereupon they prayed, that a ſuitable Perſon or Perſons may be appointed to make a ſpeedy Repair of the ſaid Bridge, and draw Money out of the General Treaſury to pay for the ſame.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Dexter* of *Cumberland*, Eſq; be, and he hereby is appointed to repair the Bridge aforeſaid, as ſoon as conveniently may be, and preſent his Account of the Charge thereof unto the General Aſſembly.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Accounts againſt the Colony, reſpecting the Soldiers in the Pay of this Government, or Regulars, be ſubmitted to ſuch of the Committee of War as live in the County of *Providence*, provided ſuch Accounts do ariſe within their Diſtrict.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Gideon Comſtock*, *Edward Scott*, *Thomas Ward*, and *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby conſtituted a Committee to reviſe all the Laws of this Colony, and, digeſting them into a Body, procure Five Hundred Copies of the ſame to be printed at the Charge of the Colony, as ſoon as conveniently may be. Nevertheleſs the ſaid Committee, after they have prepared a Draught, ſhall lay the ſame before the General Aſſembly for their Approbation, which being obtained, the Printing is to commence, and not before.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all able-bodied effective Men, who will enliſt into His Majeſty's Service in the Pay of this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign, ſhall be entitled to the ſame Wages and Billeting as the retained Troops are allowed, and receive one Month's Pay Advance upon their Inliſting, and alſo have and enjoy, all and ſingular the Privileges and Immunities that the retained Troops are entitled to: And

that

that every Perſon that inliſts, ſhall be accounted one of the Proportion of the Town to which he belongs.

What followeth, is the Report of the Committee that was appointed at the laſt Seſſion of this Aſſembly, to examin all the Laws of this Colony, reſpecting Flags of Truce, *and ſo forth.*

"WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, at their Seſſion in *October* laſt, a Committee to examin into the Affair reſpecting the granting Flags of Truce in this Colony, ſince the Commencement of the preſent War, and the Laws concerning the ſame, do report as followeth.

" That by a Certificate from the Secretary of the Colony, it appears, that there were three Flags commiſſioned by the late Governor *Greene*: All which, by the ſaid Secretary's Certificate, appear to have been commiſſionated agreeable to the Laws of this Colony. We alſo find, that his Honor Governor *Hopkins* hath granted Commiſſions to ſix Perſons, to wit, to *Ebenezer Tyler*, *Thomas Rodman*, *Nehemiah Rhodes*, *Paul Tew*, *Samuel Angel*, and *Samuel Thurſton*, who have proceeded by Virtue of their Commiſſions: And for all which, as appears by the Vouchers ſhewn us by the Governor, and the Certificates from the Secretary, have been granted agreeable to the aforeſaid Laws."

" We further find, that a Commiſſion hath been granted to *John Updike*, by Virtue of, and in Conformity to an Act of the General Aſſembly, paſſed in Favor of *Benoni Hall*, Eſq; and Bonds given agreeable to Law. We alſo find, that there was a Commiſſion granted to *Benjamin Wanton*, agreeable to the aforeſaid Laws; but as he hath made no Uſe thereof, the ſame is become void."

" We farther find, that Mr. *Henry Collins* of *Newport*, hath made Application for a Flag of Truce to his Honor the Governor, and produced the proper Certificates therefor: But that the Governor refuſed granting him any, giving for his Reaſon, that he was credibly informed, that the Priſoners the ſaid *Collins* wanted to tranſport, were a Number of *French* Priſoners carried into *Boſton*, in the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, and there purchaſed on Account of ſaid *Collins*; which the Governor thought did not come within the Meaning of the Laws of this Colony, and ſo refuſed granting the ſame: All which is ſubmitted by

Othniel Gorton,
Providence, *Dec.* 22. 1758. *Job Randall.*"

"I DO hereby certify, that ſo much of the above as relates to me the Subſcriber, correſponds with Truth according to the *beſt of my Judgment* and Remembrance.

Providence, *Dec.* 22. 1758. *Tho. Ward*, Secr'y."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to write unto the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain*, and direct him to make Application to the Lords of the Admiralty, in order

order to procure the Appointment of a Regiſter and Marſhal for the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor be alſo requeſted to recommend unto their Lordſhips, *Thomas Vernon*, Eſq; and Capt. *William Mumford*, the former to be Regiſter, and the latter Marſhal, as they have been acting Officers in this Colony for many Years.

An ACT in Addition to an Act made about commiſſionating Flags of Truce, and paſſed at a Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, begun and holden at *South-Kingstown*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on the laſt Monday of *February*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Forty-ſeven.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That when and ſo often as any Veſſel may be commiſſionated to go with a Flag of Truce from this Colony, ſuch Veſſel ſhall be obliged to carry off all the Priſoners of War that are in the Government at the Time of iſſuing the Commiſſion, that is to ſay, if ſuch Veſſel is capable of carrying *All*; allowing one Man to every Ton the Veſſel meaſureth.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Regiſter of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony be, and he hereby is directed and required to keep an exact Account of all Priſoners of War that ſhall be brought into the Government from time to time; and that a Certificate from the ſaid Regiſter, of the whole Number of Priſoners, ſhall be ſufficient Evidence thereof to the Governor.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to cauſe proper Accounts to be made out, of ſuch Articles as this Colony hath ſupplied the Crown with, which he may think proper to be ſent Home, and tranſmitting the ſame to the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain*, direct him to apply unto the proper Board, in order to obtain Payment. And his Honor is alſo requeſted to make Application unto his Excellency General *Amherſt*, for ſuch Sums due unto the Colony, as he ſhall think proper to apply to that Gentleman for.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Col. *Thomas Greene* be, and he hereby is appointed one of the Committee of War for the County of *Briſtol*, as an Addition to the Reſt.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Accounts of the whole Committee of War be auditted every Year by one and the ſame Committee, which ſhall from time to time be appointed for that Purpoſe.

Whereas Capt. *Joſeph Olney* of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for entertaining and boarding ſundry of the King's regular Forces; for keeping the Horſe of an Expreſs ſent by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Loudoun*, with Diſpatches to the ſeveral Governments, and for carting Goods belonging to ſome of

the *Highland Soldiers*: And the ſaid Account being examined by a Committee appointed for the Purpoſe, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That their Report be, and hereby is accepted, and that Seventy-four Pounds and Ten Pence, which they found to be the Ballance of the aforeſaid Account, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Joſeph Olney* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Henry Babcock*, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment raiſed in and by this Colony for the laſt Campaign, and *Daniel Wall*, Eſq; Major of the ſaid Regiment, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That ſundry Reports have been ſpread Abroad to their Prejudice, and thereupon prayed, that a Court may be appointed to enquire into their Conduct.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Col. *Joſias Lyndon*, Col. *Joſeph Wanton*, Col. *John Andrews*, Col. *Eliſha Reynolds*, and Capt. *Robert Potter*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Court of Enquiry (wherein Col. *Joſias Lyndon* ſhall preſide) to enquire into the Conduct of the aforeſaid *Henry Babcock* and *Daniel Wall*, during the laſt Campaign; and alſo to enquire into the Conduct of any other of the Officers of the ſaid Regiment that ſhall apply for the ſame.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Court be, and hereby is inveſted with all and ſingular the Power and Authority uſual and neceſſary for holding ſuch a Court, and for anſwering all the Ends thereof.

Whereas *William Wall* of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, and Colony aforeſaid, Mariner, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was Commander of a certain Schooner called the *Swan*, and, in his Voyage from *North-Carolina* to this Colony, being, on the ſecond Day of *November* laſt, in the Latitude of 38 Degrees North, and Longitude of 73 Weſt from the Meridian of *London*, or thereabouts, he was taken by a *French* Frigate, mounting twenty-four Carriage Guns, commanded by Monſieur *Sabire Du Chatilieu*, and bound to *Cape Francois*: That he the ſaid *William Wall* being taken as aforeſaid, ranſomed his Veſſel and Cargo for the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds Sterling, to be paid at the Cape aforeſaid: And that in Order to ſecure the Payment of the ſaid Sum, he pledged the Body of *Arthur Davis*, his Mate, as an Hoſtage: That as the Petitioner hath not an Opportunity to ſend the Money agreed for to the Cape, and relieve the ſaid *Arthur*, he prayed that this Aſſembly would grant him Permiſſion to proceed with a Veſſel under the Government's Protection, to the aforeſaid Cape, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *William Wall*, in his aforeſaid Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: *Provided*, that the Veſſel he ſhall go in, to relieve the above-named *Arthur Davis*, carry off all the *French* Priſoners that may then be in the Colony,

Colony, or as many of them as ſhe can carry, allowing one Priſoner to every Ton his Veſſel ſhall meaſure: *Provided alſo*, that the ſaid *William Wall* perform the whole at his own Coſt and Expence, without any Charge to the Government.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to defer writing Home for the Appointment of a Regiſter and Marſhal to the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony, until the Gentlemen who are nominated to the Offices aforeſaid, do each of them give ſufficient Security unto the Secretary, in the penal Sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling, with this Condition, to wit, that they will bear and pay all and ſingular the Coſts and Charges that may ariſe or accrue from or by the intended Application.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to improve Col. *Henry Babcock* to wait upon his Excellency General *Amherſt* with the Colony's Accounts, and receive what Money the General ſhall pay, and likewiſe to do any other neceſſary Meſſages to him the ſaid General.

An ACT for the Encouragement of Deſerters to return to their Duty, and to prevent Deſertion for the future.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all Deſerters who ſurrender themſelves to any one of the Committee of War before the laſt Monday of *February* next, ſhall be, and hereby are pardoned for ſuch their Offence of Deſertion, and ſhall from the Time of ſurrendering themſelves, be intitled to ſuch Wages, Billeting, and other Privileges, as the other Soldiers are intitled to; but ſhall not be allowed or paid any Wages or Billeting due before Deſertion, or from the Time of Deſertion to the Time of Surrender.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War cauſe proper Liſts of the Names of all the Soldiers in the Service of this Colony, to be made, adding thereto, from time to time, the Names of ſuch as ſhall be afterwards inliſted: One of which ſhall be delivered to the Naval-Officer of this Colony, to be by him hung up in public View in his Office; and that no Veſſel of any Kind ſhall be cleared out at the ſaid Office, until the Maſter hath given Bond to the Naval-Officer, in his ſaid Capacity, for the Uſe of the Colony, in the penal Sum of One Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, under this Condition, to wit, that the ſaid Maſter ſhall not carry, nor ſuffer to go away in his Veſſel, any Soldier that is or ſhall be engaged in the Colony's Service: That the Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms ſhall not clear out any Veſſel in his Office, on any Pretence whatſoever, until he hath receiv'd a Certificate from the Naval-Officer, that Bond has been given in his Office agreeable to this Act: And that the Governor grant no Commiſſion to any private Veſſel of War, until the Captain hath given Bond, with ſufficient Sureties, in the penal Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor,

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in the Secretary's Office, that no Soldier ſhall be carried away in ſuch Veſſel of War: And that no private Veſſel of War belonging to, and commiſſioned from other Governments, ſhall be permitted to inliſt any Men in this Colony, until the Commander give Bond in Manner aforeſaid, on Pain of forfeiting the aforeſaid Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds to the Uſe of the Colony.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War take good and ſufficient Bail for every Deſerter that now is, or hereafter may be confined to any of His Majeſty's Gaols within this Colony, and upon receiving ſuch Bail, ſhall releaſe ſuch Deſerter, and he by this Act ſhall have full Liberty to return to his Duty. And if a Deſerter ſo bailed, ſhall deſert again, the Committee of War are hereby directed to put the ſaid Bonds in Suit to the firſt Inferior Court of Common Pleas in this Colony.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War cauſe the Subſtance of this Act to be printed in the Newport News Paper ſix ſeveral Times, and alſo cauſe Advertiſements, with every Deſerter's Name inſerted therein, to be ſet up in every Town in the Colony. And laſtly, that they the ſaid Committee of War cauſe all the Acts of this Government reſpecting Soldiers to be carried into due Execution.

The aforegoing Act was publiſhed in Newport *by Beat of Drum, the firſt Day of* January, 1759, *by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

It is Voted and Reſolved, That an inliſting Officer be appointed in each Town in the Colony, where no one of the Committee of War dwells, to inliſt Soldiers for the enſuing Campaign; and the Gentlemen whoſe Names immediately follow, are hereby appointed to perform that Service by themſelves, or appointing others in their Stead, to wit, Mr. *John Shearman*, jun. for *Portſmouth*, Col. *Henry Babcock* for *Weſterly*, Capt. *Daniel Fones* for *North-Kingſtown*, Capt. *Nathaniel Helme* for *South-Kingstown*, Capt. *Benjamin Greene* for *Eaſt-Greenwich*, Mr. *William Martin* for *Jamestown*, Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey* for *Smithfield*, *Jeremiah Angel*, Eſq; for *Scituate*, Capt, *Joſeph Winſor* for *Gloceſter*, Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins* for *Weſt-Greenwich*, Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter* for *Coventry*, Capt. *John Reynolds* for *Exeter*, Mr. *James Barker*, jun. for *Middletown*, *Philip Tabor*, Eſq; for *Tiverton*, Capt. *Tho. Church* for *Little Compton*, Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey* for *Warren*, *John Dexter* Eſq; for *Cumberland*, *Samuel Teſt* Eſq; for *Richmond*, Lieut. Col. *John Potter* for *Cranſton*, and Capt *Edward Wells*, jun. *for Hopkinton.*

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the above Services ſhall be rendered, done, and performed, without any other Charge to the Colony, than that of the *Levy Money*: That the Committee of War call all the Soldiers before them on or before the tenth Day of *January* next, in Order to retain all ſuch as are fit for Duty, and at the ſame Time diſcharge thoſe that are unfit; that the ſaid Committee of War be impowered to inliſt Soldiers in the reſpective Towns where they dwell,

dwell, have Powers, and are hereby required to take due Care of the Government of all the Soldiers, until ſuch Time as proper Officers ſhall be appointed to guide and conduct them.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, unto each Town in the Colony; and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned, unto the laſt Monday of *February* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order the tenth Day of January, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined. Witneſs Tho. Ward Secry

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Twenty-ſixth of *February*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH BROWNEL, Eſq;
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
DANIEL COGGESHALL, Eſq;
JEFFRY WATSON, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. PETER BOURS, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Lieut. Col. *Benj. Wickham*,
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
The Speaker,
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Col. *Chriſtopher Harris*,
Lieut. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton*.

Mr. *John Shearman Jun.*
Capt. *John Shrieve*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Shearman*, jun.
Warwick ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, Eſq;
Maj. *James Arnold*, jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly ;
Samuel Ward, Eſq;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Newſhoreham ;
NONE.
North-Kingſtown ;
Immanuel Northup, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Fones.*
South-Kingſtown ;
Latham Clarke, Eſq;
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *Rufus Spencer.*
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *William Martin.*
Mr. *Iſaac Howland.*
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey.*
Seituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*,
Capt. *Rufus Smith.*
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Capt. *Peleg Croſs.*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*,
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter.*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *Joſeph Holloway.*
Middletown ;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *William Pearſe.*
Tiverton ;
Mr. *John Bowen*,
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
Mr. *Conſtant Southworth.*
Warren ;
Capt. *Thomas Cole.*
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Samuel Teſt, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Cranſton ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
William Burton, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Edward Wells, jun. Eſq;
Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Colony furniſh *One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men*, for His Majeſty's Service, in the enſuing Campaign: And that *Jonathan Randal*, *Jeffry Watſon*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Othniel Gorton*, and *Samuel Ward*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are conſtituted a Committee, to prepare a Bill for that Purpoſe, and preſent the ſame unto this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer pay off all the *Crown-Point* Notes out of the Money received of his Excellency General *Amherſt*, and now lodged in the Treaſury: That whoever ſhall omit to bring in his, her, or their Note or Notes, within twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, ſhall be allowed no Intereſt for the ſame after that

that Time: That ſo much of the Remainder of ſaid Money as ſhall be neceſſary, be appropriated towards redeeming the outſtanding *Crown-Point Bills*: That what ſhall not be made Uſe of in the Manner aforeſaid, remain in the Treaſury for the Uſe of the Colony: And that the Subſtance of this Act be publiſhed three Times ſucceſſively in the *Newport Mercury*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Kings County*, be, and he hereby is appointed to take down the Chimney now ſtanding in the Court-Houſe of the ſaid County, and build one or two from the Ground, in the Stead thereof, as he ſhall be directed by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the County aforeſaid.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Brownel* and *Obadiah Brown*, Eſqrs. Mr. *William Read*, *Thomas Arnold*, *Joſhua Babcock*, and *Joſeph Ruſſel*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to conſider in what Part of the Town of *Providence* it will be moſt advantageous to erect a new Court-Houſe; likewiſe of its Dimenſions, the Manner of building the ſame, and with what Materials; and make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Godfrey Malbone*, jun. *John Malbone*, and others, of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Merchants, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that they were Owners of a certain Snow called the *Venture*, which, in her Voyage from *Madeira* to *Newport* aforeſaid, under the Command of *Thomas Hymers*, was taken by a *French* Privateer, and ranſomed for the Sum of One Hundred and Eighty Pounds Sterling: That the ſaid *Thomas Hymers*, in order to ſecure the Payment of the ſaid Sum, pledged the Bodies of two of his People, as Hoſtages, and the ſaid Privateer carried them into *Port-au-Prince*, on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, where they ſtill remain: That the Petitioners deeming it their Duty to obtain a Releaſe of the Men who were thus deprived of their Liberty, prayed that they may be authorized to ſend the Snow aforeſaid with a Flag of Truce unto the aforeſaid *Port-au-Prince*, for the aforeſaid Purpoſe, under the Command of Capt. *Charles Bardin*, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the Petitioners aforeſaid, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, they conforming themſelves unto the Laws in ſuch Caſe made and provided; and alſo carrying off all *French* Priſoners that ſhall be in the Colony at the Time of the ſaid Snow's Departure, allowing one Priſoner to every Ton ſhe may meaſure

Whereas *Samuel Gardner*, of *Exeter*, in the County of *Kings County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That at the Time *Henry Reynolds* was apprehended for counterfeiting Bills of Credit, emitted by this Government, he was ordered by a Precept, ſigned by *Jeffry Watſon*, Eſq; and others, to ſeize all the Eſtate of the ſaid *Henry Reynolds* he could find: That in Order to perform his Duty, he employed *Joſeph Nichols* of *Weſt-Greenwich*, to aſſiſt him in taking Care of the ſaid Goods, many whereof he the ſaid *Joſeph* carried to his own Houſe, for which he charged the Petitioner above Thirty Pounds, and at *Kent*

County

County Court ſued him, and recovered Judgment for Thirty Pounds Sixteen Shillings Debt, and Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings Coſts: Whereupon the ſaid *Samuel Gardner* prayed, that as the Debt ſued for, was of a public Nature, and he receiv'd no Benefit thereby, but rather ſuffered through Loſs of Time, the Judgment aforeſaid may be vacated, or he otherwiſe relieved, as ſhall be thought proper.

On due Enquiry into the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the aforeſaid Sums of Thirty Pounds Sixteen Shillings, and Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings, be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Joſeph Nichols* out of the General Treaſury.

What followeth is the Account of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; a Member of the Committee of War; unto which is ſubjoined a Report of the Gentlemen that were appointed by the General Aſſembly to audit the ſame.

FOL. I.

1758. *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* Nathan Rice, *Dr.*---

		£.		
Mar. 25.	TO Old-Tenor paid Maj. *Wall* for Bounties and Levy-Money,	5941	19	10
	30. To Wages and Billet of the retained Men to *March* Seſſions,	3786	8	10
June 11.	To the Billet of *Wall*'s Men from *March* Seſſions to *June* 11, at Six Pounds,	5459	12	8
	To Billet paid Capt. *Nile's* Men to *June* 22d,	1449	14	4
	To *James Greene* for 101 Pair of Shoes, at Five Pounds Ten Shillings *per*	555	10	0
	To 27 Pair of Stockings at Sixty Shillings,	81	0	0
	To 27 *Ditto*, at Fifty-five Shillings,	74	5	0
	To 18 Blankets, at Fourteen Pounds,	252	0	0
	To 7 *Ditto*, at Thirteen Pounds,	91	0	0
	To 7 *Ditto* at Twelve Pounds,	84	0	0
	22. To 1 Barrel of Pork of *James Greene*, at 70 *l.*	70	0	0
	To 2 Barrels of Beef, at 35 *l.*	70	0	0
	To 1 Barrel of Pork of *Henry Oten*, at 62 *l.*	62	0	0
	To the Account of *James Card*, jun.	22	16	0
	To the Account of *John Coggeſhall*, mending Arms,	7	0	0
	23. To 35 lb. of Veal ſent on Board *Clothier Pearce* Tranſport for the Soldiers, at 2/6	3	15	0
	To *Azrikam Peirce*, for Freight of Hogſhead Cloathing,	1	10	0
July 3.	To the Account of *Stephen Wilcox* for Horſehire,	2	10	0
	To the Account of *Eliſha Weaver* for Horſe,	2	0	0
	15. To the Account of *Stephen Arnold* after *Benoni Andrew*, Deſerter,	36	1	0
	To the Account of *Peleg Rice*, *George Dyer*, *Thomas Spencer*, apprehending and carrying *James Nicholas* a Deſerter, to *Newport*,	53	0	0
	26. To *Elijah Knap*, to billet of 4 Men,	5	5	0
	29. To the Account of *Stephen Wilcox* Billet, four Men three Days each,	10	5	0

To

To the Account of *William Sweet* after *Eliſha Baker*, Deſerter, 4 0 0
To Account of *William Sweet*, carrying four Soldiers to *Newport*, 13 10 0

FOL. II. £. 18139 2 8

1758. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *per Contra*, *Cr.*---

Mar. 24. BY Old-Tenor receiv'd of the General Treaſurer, - - £. 1000 0 0
April 6. By Old-Tenor received of the Treaſurer, 4400 0 0
Ditto. By Old-Tenor received of the Treaſurer, *per* Order, - - - 1500 0 0
24. By Old-Tenor received of the Treaſurer, 2500 0 0
May 15. By Old Tenor received of the Treaſurer 1500
By Caſh ſtopp'd out of the Wages of the retained Men, by *Wall*, - - 583 2 0

£. 11483 2 0

April 26. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, £. 135 0 0
May. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 100 0 0
26. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 600 0 0
By 36 Dollars received of the Treaſurer, 10 16 0
30. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 150 0 0
June 6. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 50 0 0
13. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 300 0 0
By Lawful Money ſtopp'd of the Men that inliſted under *Mark Noble*, 14 10 9

£. 1360 6 9

Reduce at 13 One Third for one, £. 24939 10 5

Jan. 9, 1759. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, £. 800 0 0
89. By Lawful Money received of the Treaſurer, 21 10 0

£. 821 10 0

Reduce in Old-Tenor, at 18 and One Third for one, 15061 0 0
26. By Old-Tenor received of the Treaſurer, 3000 0 0
By Cloathing delivered to the Soldiers of the Government's Stores, 688 12 6
By *Wall's* Company's Commiſſary's Bill, 1679 15 0
By *Wall's* Company's Sutler's Ditto, 1764 11 2

	By *Niles's* Company's Commiſſary's Bill,	539	14	6
	By *Niles's* Company's Sutler's Bill,	868	2	8
Feb. 24.	By Cloathing of the Government's Stores; by *Niles's* Receipt, what I have already ſtopp'd, amount to -	293	8	0
		£ 62317	16	3

FOL. III.

1758. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to* Nathan Rice, - *Dr.*—

Aug. 8.	TO the Account of *Peleg Rice*, an Aid after *Jeremiah Aſton*, a Deſerter,	£. 11	0	0
	To the Account of *Joſeph Spencer* and others, after *John Lee*, a Deſerter, -	35	1	0
	To the Account of *Peleg Rice*, after *James Reynolds*, a Deſerter, - -	6	5	0
	To the Accounts of *Tibbits Hopkins* and *Robert Carr*, Aid to *Peleg Rice* after ſaid *Reynolds*,	14	0	0
	To the Account of *Robert Carr* and *Job Herrington*, taking up *Theophilus Spencer*, a Deſerter, - - - -	19	2	0
	To the Account of *Stephen Arnold*, apprehending *Uriah Staffiord*, a Deſerter,	26	12	6
	To the Account of *Thomas Spencer* and Aid, after *William Briggs*, a Deſerter, -	44	0	0
	To the Account of *Ebenezer Slocum*, by Order of Col. *Potter*, carrying Soldiers, -	40	0	0
	To the Account of *Caleb Spencer*, for Powder Horns, - - - - -	2	5	0
	To the Account of Doctor *Jerauld*, attending *Peter Parker*, - -	27	10	0
	To the Account of Doctor *Jerauld*, attending *Richard Serles*, an Officer in the Colony's Service, - -	41	11	0
	To the Account of *Joſeph Gaſpo*, attending *James Eaſt*, a Soldier, -	15	0	0
	To the Account of *Thomas Fry*, Advance for Soldiers, - -	8	0	0
	To the Account of *Thomas Fry*, Advance for Soldiers, - -	6	0	0
Nov. 26.	To the Account of *Lydia Bormon*, Attendance for *James Eaſt*, a Soldier,	32	0	0
27.	To the Account of *Thomas Spencer*, after Arms carried off, - - -	12	17	0
	To Wages and Billet paid *Thomas Fry*, from *March* 13 to *May* 8, - -	321	14	8
	To Billet paid *Wall's* and *Niles's* Men, from Return to *January* 10, 1759,	4600	18	0
	To Wages paid *Walls* Men to *January* 10, as *per* Muſter Roll, -	12958	7	5
	To Wages paid *Niles's* Men to *January* 10, as *per* Muſter Roll, - -	7115	3	6
	To Account of *Oliver Arnold* keeping Deſerters.	251	7	2
		£ .25588	14	

FOL. IV.

1758. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland to *Nathan Rice*, Dr —

April 25.	To Lawful Money paid Maj. *D. Wall*, for Bounties of the Soldiers, as *per* Receipts,	£.	112	5	0
	To 1 Bounty, £. 5 8 Levy-Money for 3 Men, at 4/6,		6	1	6
June 3.	To Lawful Money paid *Mark Noble*, 61 Dollars, an Half and one ſixth,		18	10	0
	To Lawful Money, as *per* Major *Wall*'s Muſter Roll, to *June* 1, 1758,		330	4	0
	To advance Wages to Maj. *Wall*'s Men,		156	15	0
	To Wages paid Capt. *Niles*'s Men to *June* 1, 1758,		97	6	5
	To advance Wages paid Capt. *Niles*'s Men,		74	16	4
	To Levy-Money to *Thomas Jenckins* for 6 Men,		1	7	0
	To Capt. *Niles* for Levy-Money for 16 Men, at 4/6.		3	12	0
	To Lawful Money paid Capt. *Niles* for Bounties.		126	7	0
	To *Elijah Knap* for Bounties, Levy Money, and ſwearing four Men,		24	1	0
	To *Peleg Rice*, two Dollars for inliſting Men,		12	0	0
	To *Benjamin Carr*, Levy-Money for ſix Men, at 4/6,		1	7	0
		£.	964	12	3
	At 18 and One Third for One,	£.	17684	12	0
	To paid *James Eaſt* in Camp, more than he had Wages due,		96	10	6
	To ditto *Peter Cheeſe*, who is dead,		40	5	1
	To ditto *Samuel Oſborn*, who is dead,		21	12	10
			17843	5	0
	To Sundries brought forward from Fol. 1.		18139	2	8
	To Sundries brought forward from Fol. 3.		25588	14	3
	Total Sum, or whole Amount,	£.	61570	17	4
	Contra, - - *Cr.*—				
	BY Sundries brought forward from Fol 2, amounting to		62317	16	3
	Ballance due to the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*,		746	18	10

Warwick, in the County of *Kent*, *Feb.* 10, 1759. Whereas we the Subſcribers, were appointed Auditors by the Gen. Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, at their Seſſions held at *Providence* in *December*, A. D.

A. D. 1758, to audit and ſettle the Accounts of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; one of the Committee of War for the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, do report as followeth: That we have carefully and ſtrictly examined the Accounts of ſaid *Nathan Rice*, relating his Office as one of the Committee of War, and find ſufficient Vouchers to ſupport every Article therein contained. Witneſs our Hands, this 24th *February*, 1759.

Joſeph Edmunds,
Othniel Gorton,
B. Greene.

Coſt of auditting the above and foregoing Accounts, £. 36 0 0

Memorandum. We alſo find by ſundry Receipts, that the ſaid *Nathan Rice* hath paid to the Troops raiſed ſince *December* laſt paſt, the Sum of - - - - - - - £. 1588 16 6

excluſive of what Credit is given to the Government in ſaid foregoing Account; and ſaid *Rice* declares, that he now hath forty two able bodied affective Men returned ſince *December* aforeſaid.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſider'd, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: That the foregoing Account of the Committee be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid them out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Samuel Angel*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1757, when he had the Honor to command the Troops of this Colony, he ſupplied them, while in Camp, with ſundry neceſſary Cloathings (ſuch as the Government had not provided) to the Amount of ſeveral Hundreds of Pounds *New-York Currency*; for which he charged but a ſmall Matter more than the Prime Coſt expecting to be paid for the ſame at the Cloſe of the Campaign: That he the Petitioner, did alſo contract with a Sutler, to ſupply the Troops with neceſſary Refreſhments, for which he became accountable, with Intereſt after their Diſcharge: That in *December*, 1757, he delivered the Committee of War Muſter Rolls, with proper Accounts endoſſed, how much ought to be ſtopped: That he hath received but a ſmall Part of the ſaid Money, notwithſtanding he had Orders on the General Treaſurer, from the Committeeè of War. Wherefore the ſaid *Samuel Angel* prayed to be allowed Intereſt for the Money due unto him from the Colony, on the aforeſaid Account, from the Time that the Soldiers were diſcharged, until the ſame be paid.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lawful Intereſt be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Samuel Angel* out of the General Treaſury, for the Money he advanced upon the Colony's Account from the Time the ſame was ſtoped out of the Wages of the Soldiers, until the Day it was paid the Colonel

Whereas *James Brown* of *Warren*, in the County of *Briſtol*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That ſome Time laſt *March*, there were two Tranſports, a Snow and a Sloop, bound

bound to *Providence*, with a Number of *Highlanders*; but the Wind being a-Head, they came to an Anchor, and in the Evening two Boat Loads of Officers and Men came to the Petitioner's Houſe, where having ſupped, they tarried all Night. That the Morning proved cold, the Wind continued a-head and they on board the Snow, almoſt Three hundred, having ſpent the whole of their Proviſions the Day before, were in a ſtarving Condition: That as ſhe lay a great way down the River, they were almoſt all Day in getting on Shore, and as faſt as they landed, were ſupplied with Victuals by the Petitioner: That upon filling up a Company, the Officers demanded a Man for a Pilot, and the Petitioner was obliged to procure Four, who conducted them about ten Miles: That almoſt every one that came from on Board the Snow, eat, except the laſt Boat Load, for whom the others would not tarry: That the Petitioner was obliged to go with his Team to the Town of *Rehoboth*, and carry about Thirty hundred Weight in it: That they drank almoſt a Hogſhead of Cyder, for which he received two Dollars and an Half, being unable to get any more. Whereupon the ſaid *James Brown* prayed to have ſomething allowed him out of the General Treaſury; and if no more than Fifty or Sixty Pounds, it may poſſibly pay the firſt Coſt of his Proviſions, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War for the County of *Providence* be and hereby are directed to enquire into the ſubject Matter of the aforeſaid *James Brown's* Petition, and allow him what they ſhall think reaſonable, and that the ſame be paid out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Samuel Fenner*, *Joſeph Lockwood*, and *Moſes Briggs*, all of *Cranſton*, in the County *Providence*, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, took the Oath preſcribed by the Law of this Colony againſt Bribery and Corruption, in electing public Officers and were thereupon made Free of that Town, as appears by the Return of the Town Clerk, which was accidentally omitted being made at the uſual Time. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That they the ſaid *Samuel Fenner*, *Joſeph Lockwood*, and *Moſes Briggs*, be, and hereby are admitted *Freemen* of the Colony.

An ACT providing in Caſe of Fire breaking out in the Town of *Providence*, and for the more ſpeedy Extinguiſhing the ſame, and preſerving Goods endangered thereby.

WHEREAS by Reaſon of the Contiguity and adjoining of Houſes in ſeveral Parts of the Town of Providence, *People are under great Surprize upon the breaking out of Fire, and not only the Perſons in whoſe Houſe the Fire firſt breaks out, but the Neighbourhood are concerned, to employ their utmoſt Diligence to extinguiſh the ſame, and prevent the Progreſs thereof, and preſerve their Subſtance, by the Removal of their Goods, being glad of the Aſſiſtance of others in that Regard: And divers evil-minded and wicked Perſons, on Pretence of* charitably offering their Help, *do*

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take Advantage of ſuch Confuſion, and Calamities, and rob, plander, and embezil, take, carry away, and conceal the Goods and Effects of their diſtreſſed Neighbours.

For preventing whereof in Time to come;

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, *It is enacted* That when Fire ſhall happen to break out within the compact part of the Town of *Providence* aforeſaid, the Governor or Deputy Governor and the Aſſiſtants, or any two of them, from this Date, until the firſt Monday in *June* next, ſhall or may, and they hereby are impowered, to give Directions for the pulling down or blowing up any ſuch Houſe or Houſes, as ſhall be by them adjudged meet to be pulled down or blown up for the preventing the farther ſpreading of the ſame. And if it ſhall happen that the pulling down or blowing up any ſuch Houſe or Houſes, by Direction as is aforeſaid, ſhall be the Occaſion of ſtopping the Progreſs of ſuch Fire, or that the Fire ſtop before it comes to the ſame, that then all and every the Owner or Owners of ſuch Houſe or Houſes, ſhall be reaſonably paid therefor by the Reſt of the Inhabitants, within the ſaid compact Part, whoſe Houſes ſhall not be burnt; And they are hereby authorized and fully impowered to make a Rate or Rates, for levying and raiſing ſuch Sum or Sums of Money, as ſhall be by them thought convenient for that End. *Provided always,* That if the Houſe or Houſes where the Fire firſt begins and breaks out, ſhall be adjudged fit to be pulled down or blown up, to hinder the farther ſpreading of the Flames, that then the Owner or Owners of ſuch Houſe or Houſes, ſhall receive no manner of Satisfaction for the ſame; Any thing in this Act contained, to the contrary, notwithſtanding.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Power and Authority hereby veſted in the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants, or any two of them, by the firſt Paragraph of this Act ſhall on the firſt Monday of *June* next, be determined and ceaſe. And that on the ſaid firſt Monday of *June*, and ſo on from time to time, at the yearly Meeting for the Election of Town Officers for the future, the Freemen of the ſaid compact Part ſhall annually chooſe and appoint three or more proper Perſons, on whoſe Fidelity, Judgment, and Impartiality, they can rely, to be called *Preſidents of the Fire-Wards*: And that they the ſaid Preſidents, or any one of them, who ſhall be preſent, is and are hereby impowered to execute the Authority before veſted in the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants, by Virtue of this Act:

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Limits of the above-mentioned compact Part of the Town of *Providence*, ſhall be conſtrued, deemed, and taken, and hereby are declared to comprehend the Houſe of *Jabez Whipple*, and that of *Peter Randal*, ſtanding oppoſite to it, and, from thence Southward, all the Buildings that are or ſhall be erected, butting on, or near adjacent to the Streets, both old and new, to the utmoſt Extent, together with all the Mills and Houſes in that Part of the ſaid Town, which is called *Charleſtown*, as far Weſtward as the Town-Pound, and all ſuch Part of the ſaid Town as is called the *Point*, as far Weſtward as the *Burying-Place*.

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AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Freemen of the compact Part of the ſaid Town of *Providence*, at their aforeſaid annual Meetings, to appoint ſuch a Number of *prudent Perſons, of known Fidelity*, in the ſeveral Parts of the Town, as they may think proper, who ſhall be denominated and called *Fire-Wards*, and have a proper Badge aſſigned to diſtinguiſh them in their Offices, to wit, a *Speaking Trumpet coloured red*; and at Times of the breaking forth of Fire, and during the Continuance thereof, ſhall be, and hereby are authorized and fully impowered to require and command Aſſiſtance for ſuppreſſing and extinguiſhing the Fire; for removing Houſhold Stuff and Furniture, Goods and Merchandizes, out of any dwelling Houſes, Store Houſes, or other Buildings actually on Fire, or in Danger thereof, and to appoint proper Guards for taking Care of and ſecuring the ſame; as alſo to require and command Aſſiſtance for the pulling down, or blowing up, any Houſe or Houſes, and performing all and every Service and Services relative thereto, by the Directions of the Preſidents aforeſaid, or any one of them, to prevent and ſtop the farther Spreading of the Fire, and to ſuppreſs all Tumults and Diſorders: And the ſaid *Fire-Wards* from time to time appointed as is aforeſaid, are required, upon Notice of the breaking forth of Fire, to take each one his Badge, and repair immediately to the Place, and vigorouſly exert their Authority for obtaining Aſſiſtance, and uſing their utmoſt Endeavours to extinguiſh or prevent the Spreading of the Fire, and to preſerve and ſecure the Eſtates of the Inhabitants. Due Obedience is hereby required to be yielded them, and each of them, accordingly, in the ſaid Service. And all Diſobedience, Neglect, or Refuſal, in any Perſon or Perſons, ſhall be informed of to ſome of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid Town, within two Days next after: And if any Perſon or Perſons offend contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, he, ſhe, or they, upon Conviction thereof, before any two Juſtices of the Peace, ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine, the Sum of Twenty-five Pounds *each*, to be levied and diſtributed at the Diſcretion of the Town-Council of the ſaid Town of *Providence*, among the Poor moſt diſtreſſed by the Fire: And, in Caſe the Offender or Offenders, prove unable to ſatisfy or pay the ſaid Fine, he, ſhe, or they, ſhall ſuffer ten Days Impriſonment.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any evil-minded Perſon or Perſons ſhall take Advantage of ſuch Calamity, either by robbing, plundering, purloining, embezzelling, conveying away, or concealing any Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, Effects, or Things, whatſoever, belonging unto any Inhabitant or Inhabitants of the ſaid Town of *Providence*, whoſe Houſe or Houſes is or are on Fire, or endangered thereby, ſo as to put ſuch Perſon or Perſons upon removing his, her, or their Goods or Effects; and ſhall not reſtore or give Notice thereof unto the Owner or Owners (if known) or bring them into ſuch public Place or Places as ſhall be appointed and aſſigned by the Preſidents of the Fire-Wards, or any one of them, within the Space of two Days, next after Proclamation for that Purpoſe, the Perſon or Perſons ſo offending, ſhall when duly convicted thereof, be deemed *Thieves*, and ſuffer the utmoſt Severities of the Pains and Penalties by Law provided againſt ſuch.

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What follows is the Report of the Committee that was by the General Aſſembly appointed to the Service therein mentioned.

"WE do Report, that we have receiv'd from *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, Eighty-ſix Thouſand Seven Hundred and Nine Pounds Two Shillings and Five Pence Half Penny Old-Tenor, which we have burnt. We further Report, That agreeable to an Act of the General Aſſembly made and paſs'd at *Providence*, in *November*, 1756, ſaid *Nichols* paid to *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, Thirty-three Thouſand Eight Hundred and Forty-one Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Five Pence Old-Tenor, as appears by the Treaſurer's Receipt, now in the Hands of ſaid *Nichols*. This Money paid to the Treaſurer, was to replace the ſame Sum, which was burnt in the General Treaſury, *Nov.* 12. 1756, as *per* Report. The two Sums put together, amount to One Hundred and Twenty Thouſand Five Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Half-penny Old-Tenor. Witneſs our Hands in *Newport*, *March* 6. 1758.

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And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

The following is a ſecond Report of two of the Committee who made and ſigned that next preceding.

"*To the Honorable* GNEERAL ASSEMBLY.

Gentlemen,

"WE have waited upon *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and found, that Bond was not given for his faithful Performance in ſaid Office this preſent Year: Upon which we have cauſed Bond to be given, and have lodged it with the General Treaſurer. We further inform, That we have made a Beginning to take an Account of the Bonds in ſaid Office, Mr. *Nichols* not being ready before this Time, ſhall proceed and finiſh ſaid Office ſo ſoon as Time will permit, without the General Aſſembly ſhould appoint another Commitee. All which we ſubmit, and will be agreeable to us.

Thomas Cranſton, } Committee."
Peter Bours, }

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: And that the Committee appointed to audit the Grand Committee's Accounts, be continued, and make Report, without fail, unto this Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion.

Whereas *Aaron Saliſbury*, reſiding at *Cranſton*, in the County of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was in the Service of this Government the three laſt Campaigns: That it was his Misfortune to be grievouſly wounded, and have his Bones diſlocated

diſlocated by the Overturning of a Waggon, which fell upon him laſt Year, whereby he is rendered abſolutely incapable of getting a Livelihood; and that he hath no Support but what ariſes from the Charity of the People, having no legal Settlement in theſe Parts that he knows of. Wherefore he the ſaid *Aaron Saliſbury* prayed, that ſome Relief may be afforded him, either by a Penſion, or in ſome other Manner, as ſhall be thought proper by the General Aſſembly.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col, *Barzillai Richmond*, *Othniel Gorton*, and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are conſtituted a Committee, to enquire into the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, and conſider what Allowance it is proper for the Government to make the above-named *Aaron Saliſbury*.

Whereas *Silas Cooke* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Merchant, Agent for *Don Antonio Gomez Franco*, a Subject of his moſt *Catholic* Majeſty, *the King of Spain*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That on the twenty-ninth Day of *January* laſt, a certain Sloop, named the , of which *Don Joſeph Rodriguez*, a Subject of his ſaid *Catholic* Majeſty, was Maſter, being laden with Sugar; whereof the ſaid *Andrew Gomez Franco*, together with the ſaid *Rodriguez*, were ſole Owners, had arrived from a Coaſting Voyage at the Mouth of the Harbour of *Monto-Chriſto*, a Port of his moſt *Catholic* Majeſty, on the Iſland of *St. Domingo*, where the ſaid Sloop belonged, and which was alſo the dwelling Place of the ſaid Owners: That juſtas the ſaid Sloop had taken in her Sails, ſhe was boarded and ſeized by *Simon Smith*, Commander of a private Man of War named the *Roby*, equipped at *Warren*, in this Colony, and commiſſioned by his Honor the Governor; and being ſo ſeized, was ſent into *Warren* aforeſaid, where being arrived, ſhe is detained and claimed by the Owners and Company of the ſaid Sloop *Roby*, as Prize; altho' the ſaid *Don Antonio Gomez Franco*, and the ſaid *Don Joſeph Rodriguez*, are *bona Fide*, the ſole Owners of the ſaid Sloop and her Cargo, and are true and lawful Subjects of his ſaid moſt *Catholic* Majeſty, as is aforeſaid. And the ſaid *Silas Cooke* further obſerved, that there are many Veſſels with Cargoes, owned by the Inhabitants of this Colony, now at the ſaid *Monto-Chriſto*, and in the Power of the ſaid *Antonio Gomez Franco*, who is the King of *Spain*'s Secretary there, and will undoubtedly detain ſome or all of them by Way of Reprizals for this Act of Violence done againſt the Laws of Nations: That foraſmuch as His Moſt Sacred Majeſty, our lawful Sovereign, did by Proclamation, about two Years ſince, ſtrictly prohibit all His Subjects from taking, ſeizing, or moleſting, any of the Subjects or Ships of His Moſt *Catholic* Majeſty, on any Pretence whatſoever. And as any Thing done by the Inhabitants of this Colony, contrary to the ſaid Proclamation, and againſt the Laws of Nations, may draw upon us the high Diſpleaſure of our moſt gracious Sovereign, and involve the Nation in a *Controverſy with the King of Spain*, which the Miniſtry at Home have hitherto induſtriouſly avoided; the Petitioner prayed, for the more ſpeedy Delivering the Government from the Dangers aforeſaid, this Aſſembly to enquire into the Matters and Things aforeſaid: And if it ſhall appear

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equitable, that they would order the Veſſel and Cargo aforeſaid to be taken into the Cuſtody of ſome Officer of this Colony, and forthwith reſtored to the ſaid *Joſeph Rodriguez*, in order to his returning Home with her unto *Monte-Chriſto*, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Owners of the aforeſaid private Man of War named the *Roby*, be cited to appear forthwith before this Aſſembly, in order to make Anſwer with Regard to the Matters and Things alledged in the aforeſaid Petition.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Jeremiah Angel* and *Caleb Greene*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee to examin an Account charged againſt the Colony by *Nathaniel Phillips*, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly.

Both Houſes being Reſolved into a *Grand Committee*, choſe the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the following Liſt, to command the Troops of this Colony in the next Campaign.

FIELD OFFICERS.

Henry Babcock, Eſq; Colonel, *Daniel Wall*, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel, and *John Whiting*, Eſq; Major.

Captains.

Thomas Burkit, *James Tew*, jun. *Samuel Roſe*, *Nathaniel Peck*, *Thomas Fry*, jun. *Benjamin Eddy*, *Chriſtopher Hargil*, *Joſhua Brown*, *William Tripp*, and *Miſes Palmer*.

First Lieutenants,

Edward Talbee, *Tibbits Hopkins*, *William Sheehan*, *Jonathan Spears*, *Thomas Tew*, *Caleb Tripp*, *Thomas Roſe*, *Thomas Jenckins*, *Samuel Saunders*, *Samuel Stoneman*, *Giles Ruſſel*, *Mitchel Coſe*, and *Iſrael Peck*.

Second Lieutenants.

Joſeph Stanton, jun. *Benjamin Carr*, *Daniel Eyrn*, *Moſes Bowdiſh*, *Abner Weſt*, *Moſes Warren*, *Solomon Roffey*, *Samuel Watſon*, jun. *Thomas Collins*, *Tamberlin Campbell*, *Thomas Champlin*, *Samuel Weatherby*, and *William Pulling*.

Enſigns.

William Bennet, *Stukely Stafford*, *Thomas Swinburne*, jun. *Arthur Fenner*, jun. *George Cornel* (Son of *Clarke*) *Records Taber*, *Nathan Rice*, *Aſa Bowdiſh*, *Aſa Kimball*, *John Manchester* (of *Portſmouth*) *John Beverly*, *Nathan Bliven*, and *Peleg Slocum*.

Lieutenant *Giles Ruſſel*, Adjutant of the Regiment.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, it is Enacted, That a Rate or Tax of *Eleven Thouſand Pounds*, *in the Bills of Credit emitted by this Government, called Lawful Money*, be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, and duly collected, and brought

brought into the General Treaſury by the laſt Day of *October* next, for paying off the Government's Troops upon their Return from the Campaign.

An ACT in Addition to two Acts, made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, one at the Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport* on the firſt Wedneſday of *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, entituled, - - - - - -

" *An Act to prevent any Perſons purchaſing and detaining any of the Apparel and Arms belonging to any Soldier inliſted in this Colony*; and the other at the Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport*, on Monday the twelfth of *June* laſt, entituled, *An Act to prevent the detaining or ſecreting Soldiers already inliſted, or that may be hereafter inliſted into His Majeſty's Service, in this or either of the neighbouring Governments in* New-England."

Whereas this Aſſembly hath received Information, that notwithſtanding the aforeſaid Acts, ſeveral Tavernkeepers, Innholders, and Sellers of ſtrong Drink in this Colony, have been guilty of aiding, aſſiſting, and attempting to carry out of the Government's Service, many of the Soldiers inliſted into the Colony's Pay: Which if not timely prevented, will prove very prejudicial to His Majeſty's Service.

For Preventing whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That if any Tavernkeeper, Innholder, or other Vendor of ſtrong Drink in this Colony, ſhall, at any Time after the Publication of this Act, be found aiding, aſſiſting, ſecreting, or attempting to ſecrete, or by any Ways or Means endeavouring to carry out of the Colony, or deprive the ſame of any one Soldier lawfully inliſted into His Majeſty's Service, in the Colony's Pay, he, ſhe, or they ſo offending, ſhall upon legal Conviction thereof, forfeit and pay as a Fine into the General Treaſury, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds for every Offence, to be recovered in Manner and Form as by either of the ſaid Acts aforeſaid is directed; and ſuch Tavernkeeper, Innholder, or Vendor of ſtrong Drink, ſhall have his or her Licence taken away by the Town Council of the Town in which the Offence may be committed, and be rendered incapable forever afterwards, of keeping a Tavern, Inn, or ſelling ſtrong Drink in this Colony.

An ACT for better regulating Officers, and the Colony's Agent, at *Albany*, the enſuing Campaign.

WHEREAS it is found prejudicial to the Intereſt of this Government, for Officers, as in the laſt Campaign, *to draw large Sums of Money out of the Hands of the Colony's Agent at* Albany.

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BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the future, no Order drawn on the Colony's Agent at *Albany*, ſhall be allowed or paid by the Government, unleſs it be ſigned by the Colonel, or, in his Abſence, the next commanding Officer of the Regiment: Who are hereby reſtricted, and poſitively forbidden to draw any Order upon the ſaid Agent, be the ſame either for Officers or Soldiers Wages, or any other Matter or Thing whatſoever; neceſſary Expences, which cannot be paid in the Currency of this Colony, only excepted.

And that a Copy of this Act be tranſmitted unto the Colony's Agent in *Albany*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they, or the major Part of them, is, and hereby are appointed to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Volkert Douw*, jun. with this Colony, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly at their next Seſſion: That they, the ſaid Committee, in the mean Time, cauſe a Sum, not exceeding Two Thouſand Pounds *New-York Currency*, to be lodged by the beſt Ways and Means they can, in the ſaid Mr. *Douw*'s Hands, in Order to pay the Ballance that ſhall be found due to him from the Colony; and farther to ſupply the Colonel, or, in his Abſence the next commanding Officer of our Regiment, with Money, as he ſhall have Occaſion to draw for it, from time to time, agreable to an Act made and pais'd by this Aſſembly for that Purpoſe.

And that a Copy thereof be ſent the above-named *Volkert Douw* at *Albany*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they, or the major Part of them, is, and hereby are appointed to fill up, before the March of the Troops, all Vacancies that may happen either by Death, Refuſal, or any other Ways or Means whatſoever, among the commiſſioned Officers in the Regiment ordered by this Colony for the enſuing Campaign: Which Power ſhall always be good and valid in the Receſs of the General Aſſembly, and *then only.*

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they hereby are directed to ſettle with all the Officers of the Regiment raiſed by this Colony for the laſt Campaign, before they march for the next, and pay or receive the Ballance as the ſame may happen.

An ACT in Addition to an Act made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *South-Kingstown*, on Tueſday the Fourteenth of *February*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, entituled, "An Act to oblige the Inhabitants and Innholders of this Colony to receive and entertain the Recruits that may be raiſed therein for his Majeſty's Service."

WHEREAS the Proviſion made in and by the Act aforeſaid, for the Billeting Regular Soldiers *proves inſufficient to anſwer the Purpoſe: Wherefore, and as a farther Encouragement to Innholders, Tavernkeepers, and others, within this Government, to receive and billet* Regular

Regular Soldiers, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That for the future, every Innholder, Tavernkeeper, and other Perſon whatſoever, in this Colony, who ſhall take in a *Regular Soldier* to billet, ſhall be allowed and paid not exceeding Twenty-five Shillings *per* Day, for every Soldier that he or ſhe may billet, always deducting the King's Pay out of the ſame: Which is to be certified by the Officer who gave Orders for the ſaid Soldier's Billeting.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Innholder or Tavernkeeper within this Colony, ſhall refuſe to receive a *Regular Soldier or Soldiers* into his or her Houſe, when an Order for Billeting is made out, and ſent by a proper Officer of the Town where ſuch Soldier or Soldiers ſhall demand Billeting, he or ſhe ſo refuſing, ſhall ſuffer and pay as a Fine, the Sum of Three Pounds Lawful Money, to be recovered for the Colony's Uſe, by Warrants before two Juſtices of the Peace in the Town where the Offence ſhall be committed.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Officer giving Orders for Billeting as is aforeſaid, ſhall always be careful to avoid ſending more Soldiers unto the Houſe of any Perſon, than the Circumſtances of ſuch Perſon will allow. And if any Difference ſhall ariſe between the Officer that gave Orders for Billeting, and the Houſekeeper who ſhall receive a Soldier or Soldiers to billet, about the Number of Soldiers, ſuch Diſpute ſhall be decided and ſettled by one or more Juſtices of the Peace living near the ſaid Houſekeeper: Which Judgment or Deciſion ſhall be final and concluſive.

What follows is a Copy of the Account of ſuch of the Committee of War as live in *Newport*; unto which is ſubjoined a Report of the Gentlemen that were appointed by the General Aſſembly to audit the ſame, together with an Account againſt the Government for their Time and Trouble in performing the ſaid Service.

Dr.--- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *with* John Gardner, Thomas Cranſton, *and* Peter Bours, *Members of the Committee of War.*

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1757,				
Mar. 9.	To *James Franklin*, his Account for Proclamations, - - -	32	0	0
April 2.	To *Joſeph Ireſon*, *Ditto*, Horſehire,	74	16	0
21.	To *Benjamin Hall*, *Ditto*, Shoes, -	105	0	0
25.	To *Rouſe Potter*, *Ditto*, Leather,	1450	18	6
	To *Weeden* and *Bennet*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	305	6	0
28.	To *Samuel Hern*, *Ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	60	0	0
May 3.	To *Benjamin Sanford*, *Ditto*, Shoes,	105	0	0
	To *Jonathan Heath*, *Ditto*, *Ditto*,	252	0	0
12.	To *Richard* and *Henry Ward*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	499	16	6
13.	*John Chaloner*, *Ditto*, part of Medicines,	400	0	0
16.	To *James Hill*, *Ditto*, making Cloathing,	887	0	0
	To *Robert Hill*, *Ditto*, *Ditto*, *Ditto*,	232	10	0
	To *Benjamin Reynolds*, *Ditto*, *Ditto*, *Ditto*,	496	8	0

20.	To *Ignatius Battar*, *Ditto*, Sugar,	342	0	0
	To *Mumford* and *Brenton*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	343	11	0
	To *Greene Rogers*, *Ditto*, Shoes,	210	0	0
	To *Henry Sowle*, *Ditto*, making Cloathing,	976	7	11
	To *Chriſtopher Champlin*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	701	14	0
	To *Timothy Balch*, *Ditto*, making Cloathing,	1363	11	8
	To *Gideon Siſſon*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	9226	11	6
	To *Henry Coggeſhall*, *Ditto*, making Tents,	64	0	0
	To *Joſhua Babcock*, *Ditto*, doctoring Soldiers,	35	18	0
	To *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Ditto*, Blankets,	715	10	0
	To *Benoni Gardner*, *Ditto*, billeting Soldiers,	57	3	8
May 25.	To *Robert Carr*, *Ditto*, Cloathing,	1471	9	6
	To *William Rogers*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	540	16	3
	To *Joſeph Sanford*, jun. *ditto*, *ditto*,	272	7	0
	To *Elnathan Hammond*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	391	7	0
	To *Sarah Rumreill*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	50	0	0
	To *David Moore*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	223	13	0
	To *Peleg Thurſton*, *ditto*, Blankets,	681	1	8
	To *Joſeph Tillinghaſt*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	96	12	9
	To *Preſerved Fiſh*, *ditto*, Shoes,	105	0	0
	To *Jabez Carpenter*, *ditto*, Blankets,	125	4	0
	To *John Davis*, *ditto*, ſwearing Soldiers,	25	12	8
	To *Joſeph Tripp*, *ditto*, freſh Proviſions,	73	16	0
	To *Joſhua Saunders*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	170	7	6
	To *Mumford* and *Cole*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	138	0	0
	To *C. Anthony Wigneron*, *ditto*, doctoring Soldiers,	26	10	0
	To *Silas Cooke*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	569	15	0
	To *Benjamin Sherburne*, *ditto*, Shackles,	15	0	0
	To *Joſeph Sanford*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	15	14	6
	To *Temperance Grant*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	421	1	0
	To *John Tweedy*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	338	12	0
	To *Joſeph Burrell*, *ditto*, Camp-Kettles, *&c.*	129	10	0
	To *Peleg Rogers*, *ditto*, Attendance, *&c.*	79	4	0
	To *Joſeph Hammond*, *ditto*, Beef,	35	0	0
	To *Jacob Richardſon*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	1379	12	6
	To *Joſhua Amy*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	571	0	0
June 2.	To *George Lawton*, *ditto*, Board of Soldiers,	39	14	0
13.	To *John Chaloner*, *ditto*, Medicines, *&c.*	1035	1	6
17.	To *John Niles*, *ditto*, Wages, *&c*,	529	1	6
	To *Elihu Hall*, *ditto*, doctoring Soldiers,	65	8	0
20.	To *Nicholas Cooke*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	93	0	0
23.	To *William Spencer*, *ditto*, Wages, *&c.*	77	19	4
27,	To *William Rogers*, *ditto*, *ditto* of *James Tew*,	170	10	0
	To *Robert Lawton*, *ditto*, *ditto of* Col. *Angel*,	200	0	0
July 4.	To *Benjamin Almy*, *ditto*, Molaſſes,	2160	8	0
8.	To *Thomas Taylor*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	461	13	0
28.	To *Thomas Fry*, *ditto*, Wages, *&c.*	214	3	4
	To *Benjamin Wickham*, *ditto*, Molaſſes,	4415	8	0
Aug. 17.	To *William Hunter*, *ditto*, doctoring Soldiers,	521	18	0
	To *George Lawton*, *ditto*, Board of Priſoners,	50	0	0
	To *Joſeph Wanton*, jun. *ditto*, Small Arms,	3780	0	0

19,	To *Iſaac Lawton*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	420	0	0
	To *Andrew Cannon*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	35	0	0
24.	To *Simon Peaſe*, *ditto*, Small Arms,	1080	0	0
	To *Joſeph Gorham*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	1100	0	0
26.	To *Allowſon Gibbs*, *ditto*, Cartridge Boxes,	68	0	0
	To *Matthew Cozzens*, *ditto* Small Arms,	612	0	0
	To *Richard Gibb*, *ditto*, Bread,	154	0	0
	To *Jeremiah Hawkins*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	400	0	0
	To *Benoni Gardner*, ditto, Billeting Soldiers,	289	4	8
	To *William Rhodes*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	424	0	0
Sept. 2.	To *Iſaac Stelle*, *ditto*, Bread,	751	4	0
5.	To *Benjamin Durfey*, *ditto* Wages,	30	0	0
20.	To *Edward Denniſon*, *ditto*, *ditto*, of *Abner Tiken*,	93	10	0
	To *Metcalf Bowler*, *ditto*, *ditto*, of *Giles Ruſſel*,	43	0	0
	To *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*, Small Arms,	1800	0	0
26	To *Joſiah Brown*, *ditto*, Carting *&c.*	41	10	0
	To *William White*, *ditto*, Wages,	30	0	0
	To *George Hall*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	30	0	0
	To *Michael Downey*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	30	0	0
Oct. 3.	To *James Roach*, *ditto*, *ditto*, of *James Gwin*,	47	1	0
	To *John Lance*, *ditto*, Small Arms,	540	0	0
	To *John Davis*, *ditto*, Swearing Soldiers	13	6	0
	To *Gideon* and *John Wanton*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	241	0	0
	To *Clother Peirce*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	180	0	0
	To *Henry Sowle*, *ditto*, Wages of *James Mackay*,	91	2	0
26.	To *George Gardner*, Sheriff, *ditto*, Service done	86	15	0
	To *William Rogers*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	175	0	0
	To *Joſeph Burrill*, *ditto*, Camp-Kettles, *&c.*	504	10	0
	To *John Clarke*, his account for horſe-hire	43	0	0
	To *Job Bennet* jun. *ditto*, Charges of Impriſoning men	48	0	0
	To *John Taylor*, *ditto*, Shoes,	84	0	0
	To *Henry Sowle*, *ditto*, *Wages* of *James Leach*,	14	19	0
Nov. 7.	To *Benjamin Maſon*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	1245	14	0
	To *Eliſha Tillinghaſt*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	117	0	0
14.	To *William Pelſue* *ditto*, Charges of Impreſs.	111	17	0
15.	To *Iſaac Lawton*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire	600	0	0
18.	To *Benjamin Reynolds*, *ditto*, Making Cloathing	134	0	0
	To *Jonathan Heath*, *ditto*, Shoes,	168	0	0
	To *Abraham All*, *ditto*, making Cloathing,	182	0	0
	To *Elnathan Hammond*, *ditto*, Cloathing	28	11	3
	To *Caleb Gardner*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	22	0	0
	To *Miller Froſt*, *ditto*, Making Cloathing,	68	6	0
	To *Preſerved Fiſh*, *ditto*, Shoes,	147	0	0
	To *James Hawdan*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	127	0	0
	To *Timothy Balch*, *ditto*, Making Cloathing,	66	0	0
	To *Paul Coffin*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	33	0	0
22	To *John Tayer*, *ditto*, Shoes,	49	0	0
	To *Wickham* and *Deblois*, *ditto*, Lead-Ball	32	0	0
	To *Weeden* and *Bennet*, *ditto*, Cloathing	107	7	0
	To *Richard* and *Henry Ward*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	223	3	3
	To *Stephen Ayrault*, *ditto*, *Lead-Ball*	25	12	0
	To *Joſeph Gladden*, *ditto*, Shoes,	98	0	0

	To *Robert Hill, ditto,* Making Cloathing	125	10	0
	To *Gideon* and *John Wanton, ditto.* Cloathing,	1020	7	0
Dec. 2.	To *Peleg Rogers, ditto,* Attendance,	41	14	0
	To *Thomas Chadwick, ditto,* Board of ſick Soldiers,	54	0	0
	To *Weeden* and *Bennet, ditto,* Cloathing,	110	3	0
	To *Henry Sowle ditto,* Making Cloathing,	187	19	0
5.	To *Benjamin Maſon, ditto,* Cloathing,	245	0	0
21.	To *Thomas Chadwick,* his Account for Board of Regulars, - - - - -	160	0	0
	To *Greene Rogers, ditto,* Shoes	113	10	0
	To *Jonathan Heath: ditto, ditto,*	56	0	0
23.	To *James Gardner, ditto,* Hay	220	0	0
	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto,* Board of Regulars	41	8	0
	To *Jonathan Bryer, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	33	12	0
	To *Sarah Mitchener, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	12	0	0
	To *Thomas Chadwick, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	22	1	5
24.	To *Temperance Grant, ditto,* Cloathing,	197	11	3
	To *Thomas George. ditto,* Board of Regulars,	29	18	0
26.	To *Walter Cranſton, ditto,* Tranſport-hire	138	0	0
	To *Clother Peirce, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	320	0	0
	To *Joſeph Tillinghaſt, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	460	0	0
27.	To *James Franklin, ditto,* to Printing Inliſtments,	12	0	0
	To *William Campbell, ditto,* Tranſport-hire,	535	0	0
28.	To *Jonathan Bryer, ditto,* Board of Regulars	9	0	0
	To *Silas Cooke, ditto,* Cloathing,	117	7	0
30.	To *George Gibbs, ditto,* Bread, *&c.*	251	14	0
1758.				
Jan. 9.	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto,* Board of Regulars,	21	0	0
20.	To *Sarah Mitchenſon, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	25	10	0
	To *Thomas Browonell, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	15	0	0
	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	29	8	0
24.	To *Jonathan Bryer, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	14	8	0
26,	To *Richardſon* and *Goldthwait, ditto,* Cloathing,	1283	1	6
30.	To *Thomas Chadwick, ditto,* Board of Regulars,	46	5	0
	To *John Mc.'Near, ditto;* Time and Expences,	38	9	0
	To *Jabez Champlin, ditto* Small-Arms, *&c.*	239	8	0
	To *James Gould, ditto,* Horſe-hire	49	0	0
	To *William Croſſing, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	50	0	0
Feb 4.	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto* Board of Regulars.	42	10	0
14.	To *Gideon Siſſon, ditto,* Cloathing,	2190	13	2
20.	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto,* Board of Regulars	58	0	0
22.	To *Sarah Mitchener, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	24	0	0
Mar. 3.	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	25	1	0
20.	To *Sarah Mitchener, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	24	0	0
	To *Thomas Stevens, ditto,* Mending Small-Arms,	66	15	0
	To *Jonathan Bryer, ditto,* Board of Regulars,	75	14	0
	To *Thomas Chadwick, ditto, ditto, ditto,*	108	0	4
21.	To *William Hunter, ditto,* Wages, *&c.*	1981	7	6
23.	To *Simon Peaſe, ditto,* Molaſſes,	1026	10	0
	To *Benjamin Ellery, ditto, ditto,*	2831	0	0
27.	To *Sarah Rumreill, ditto,* Cloathing,	156	11	10
	To *Mary Pinnegar, ditto,* Board of Regulars	26	0	0
	To *John Reed, ditto, Molaſſes,*	3862	14	0
31.	To *Jonathan Bryer ditto,* Board of Regulars,	41	3	6

	To *Benoni Gardner*, *ditto*, *ditto*, of Soldiers, *&c.*	150	0	0
Apr. 2.	To *Benjamin Nichols*, *ditto*, Wooden Bowls, *&c.*	102	10	0
May 16.	To *William Rhodes*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	907	10	0
29.	To *Mark Noble*, *ditto*, *Soldiers Bounties*,	217	18	9
June 12.	To *William Hunter*, *ditto*, Wages, *&c.*	2089	5	0
21.	To *Joſeph Boſs*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	275	0	0
27.	To *Joſeph Wanton*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	201	15	0
	To *Nathan Nickerſon*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	240	0	0
30.	To *Ezekiel Burroughs*, *ditto*, Rum,	294	11	0
July 11.	To *Iſaac Lawton*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	476	10	3
14.	To *Henry Coggeſhall*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	2493	17	6
18.	To *Samuel Thurſton*, *ditto*, Mollaſſes,	2030	0	0
19.	To *John Jepſon*, *ditto*, Sugar,	1606	14	0
20.	To *William Rogers*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	207	3	9
	To *Hatch* and *Card*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	411	0	0
	To *James Weeden*, *ditto*, Shoes,	126	0	0
	To *Preſerved Fiſh*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	574	0	0
	To *Ebenezer Richardſon*, *ditto*, Rum,	242	1	0
	To *Benjamin Hall*, *ditto*, Shoes,	210	0	0
	To *David Moore*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	66	0	0
	To *Joſeph Gladden*, *ditto*, Shoes,	161	0	0
	To *Samuel* and *Peter Mumford*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	294	0	0
	To *Iſaac Dayton*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	338	2	6
	To *Ezra Pope*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	301	0	0
	To *Joſeph Bailey*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	210	0	0
	To *Benjamin Sanford*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	336	0	0
	To *John Landers*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	126	0	0
	To *Conſtant Taber*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	84	0	0
	To *Abraham Dennis*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	252	0	0
	To *Joſeph Hammond*, *ditto*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	85	10	0
	To *John Stanton*, *ditto*, Shoes,	140	0	0
	To *Jacob Stockman*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	143	1	6
	To *Samuel Fowler*, *ditto*, Proviſions,	113	11	0
	To *Hadwen* and *Thurſton*, *ditto*, Stockings,	90	0	0
	To *Caleb Gardner*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *&c.*	85	2	6
	To *Jabez Carpenter*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	67	4	0
25.	To *Zepheniah Peaſe*, *ditto*, Shoes,	126	0	0
	To *George Gibbs*, *ditto*, Bread,	440	1	2
26.	To *Eſtes How*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	486	13	6
	To *Richard* and *Henry Ward*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	402	15	8
	To *Abraham All*, *ditto*, *making Cloathing*,	377	0	0
	To *John Mc.'Near*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	188	0	0
	To *James Hill*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	408	10	0
	To *Archibald Campbell*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	184	10	0
	To *Charles Iriſh*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	170	0	0
	To *Robert Hill*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	203	6	0
	To *Timothy Balch*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	559	0	0
	To *Miller Froſt*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	253	0	0
	To *Benjamin Greene*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	183	15	0
	To *Peter Cozzens*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	182	0	0
	To *Joſeph Haywood*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	127	5	0
	To *Robert Duncan*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	196	0	9
	To *John Rogers*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	136	0	0

	To *John Thurſton*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	377	0	0
	To *Jonathan Gladdin*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	119	10	0
	To *John Starnes*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	123	10	0
	To *Henry Sowle*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	825	5	7
	To *John Chaloner*, *ditto*, Sett of Chyrergugical Inſtruments,	150	0	0
	To *Samuel Green*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	980	18	4
28.	To *John Tayer*, *ditto*, Shoes,	252	0	0
31.	To *Temperance Grant*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	380	0	0
	To *Greene Rogers*, *ditto*, Shoes,	449	0	0
	To *Benjamin Maſon*, *ditto*, Blankets,	2407	10	0
	To *Moſes Iſaacs*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	1214	19	9
	To *Napthali Hart*, and Company; *ditto*, *ditto*,	13236	7	11
	To *Wickham* and *Deblois*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	3868	3	6
	To *Sarah Rumriell*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	180	0	0
	To *Robert Carr*, *ditto*, Soap, &c.	285	10	6
	To *John Hammett*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	282	9	0
	To *Iſaac Stelle*, *ditto*, Bread,	471	0	0
Aug. 1.	To *C. Anthony Wigneron*, *ditto*, doctoring Soldiers,	139	10	0
	To *Silas Cooke*, *ditto*, Cloathing, *&c.*	1910	1	0
7.	To *George Gardner*, jun. *ditto*, *ditto*,	2499	11	6
	To *Chriſtopher Champlin*. *ditto*, *ditto*,	364	0	0
8.	To *Rowſe Potter*, *ditto*, Leather ſupplied Shoemakers, - - -	328	16	6
	To *Sarah Sweet*, *ditto*, Cloathing,	270	10	0
10.	To *Robert Carr*, *ditto*, Soap,	324	11	6
12.	To *Robert Barker*, *ditto*, Shoes,	65	0	0
19.	To *George Lawton*, *ditto*, Board of Soldiers,	132	0	0
25.	To *Godfrey Malbone*, *ditto*, Beef,	245	0	0
31.	To *Iſaac Lawton*, *ditto*, Tranſport-hire,	532	16	3
	To *Jabez Champlin*, *ditto*, repairing Small Arms, *&c.* - - -	192	14	0
	To *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	159	14	0
Sept. 5.	To *Jonathan Otis*, *ditto*, Drums,	57	0	0
Mar. 1.	To Lieut. *Iſaac Wilber*, his Account Bounties, *&c.* paid Soldiers,	300	0	0
2.	To Capt. *Benjamin Cornell*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	120	0	0
11.	To Lieut. *Jeffery Willcox*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	200	0	0
22.	To Lieut. *Moſes Warren*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	360	0	0
23.	To Dr. *Chriſtopher Nichols*, *ditto*, Wages,	180	0	0
28.	To Lieut. *Samuel Roſe*, *ditto*, Bounties,	200	0	0
April 5.	To Lieut. *Giles Ruſſell*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	1400	0	0
May 6.	To Lieut *Nathaniel Peck*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	756	10	0
14.	To Capt. *Daniel Wall*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	1604	12	3
20.	To Lieut. *Edward Talbee*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	642	5	0
June 28.	To Lieut. *James Tew*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	40	0	0
Nov. 30.	To Capt. *Jeremiah Greene*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	4358	7	4
1758.				
Mar. 8.	To Lieut. *Iſrael Peck*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	310	0	0
21.	To Lieut. *William Tripp*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	500	0	0
May 6.	To Col. *Samuel Angel*, *ditto*, Wages, *&c.*	5192	10	0
26.	To Col. *Henry Babcock*, *ditto*, Bounties, *&c.*	4750	0	0
June 3.	To Capt. *William Richmond*, *ditto*, *ditto*,	2647	3	0

June 6. To

June 6. To Capt. *John Whiting* and Officers, *ditto*, *ditto*, - - -	£.	10510	8	4
10. To Capt. *Ebenezer Whiting*, *ditto*, *ditto*,		7274	0	0
To Capt. *Nathaniel Peck*, *ditto*, *ditto*,		8576	17	0
To Capt. *James Tew*, *ditto*, *ditto*,		5666	11	3
26. To *Caleb Hacker*, *ditto*, *ditto*,		2200	0	0
To *Chriſtopher Hargil*, *ditto*, *ditto*,		400	0	0
	£.	184101	2	0
To Caſh paid Wages, Billeting, *&c.* as *per* Muſter-Rolls, Receipts, Books, *&c.*		80466	13	4
To *John Gardner*, his Account for Sundries provided for the Uſe of the Expeditions; as *per* Receipts examined,		1583	7	9
To *Thomas Cranſton*, his Acoount for Sundries provided for the Uſe of the Expeditions, as *per* Receipts examined,		34638	7	8
To *Peter Bours*, his Account for Sundries provided for the Expeditions, as *per* Receipts examined,		7291	4	6
	£.	308080	15	3

Creditor.

BY our Orders drawn on the General Treaſurer in Favour of the Perſons whoſe Names are ſet down in the foregoing Account, and Caſh received, as *per* Receipts given, - - -	£.	308080	15	3

Newport, *September* 8, 1758.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee by the Honourable General Aſſembly to audit the Accounts of the Members of the Committee of War in the Town of *Newport*, do Report, that we have examined the Accounts exhibited to us by the Hon. *John Gardner*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. and find them well vouched, and that the foregoing Accounts, amounting to Three Hundred and Eight Thouſand and Eighty Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Three Pence Old Tenor, are what we have auditted, it appearing to us, by a Certificate from the General Treaſurer, that they have given the Colony Credit for all the Money they have received themſelves, from time to time, and alſo all and every the Orders they have drawn on him payable to other Perſons, for the Uſe of the Expeditions in the Years 1757 and 1758.

John Tillinghaſt,
James Sheffield, } Committee.

Unto which Report the Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit,

The COLONY, - - *Dr.*---

TO our Time and Trouble in auditting the aforegoing Account, - -	£.	30	-	-

Newport, *Sept.* 8, 1758.

John Tillinghaſt,
James Sheffield."

And

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

What follows is a Copy of the Account of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; a Member of the Committee of War; unto which is added the Report of the Gentlemen that were by the General Aſſembly appointed to audit the ſame.

1757. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *Dr. to* Daniel Jenckes, *one of the Committee of War.*

		£.		
Octo. 24.	To *William Dean*, Caſh paid *per* Orders,	318	2	6
	To *Oliver Arnold*, *Ditto*, paid *per Ditto*,	58	11	0
28.	To *Preſerved Alger*, paid	1	10	0
31.	To *Silas Cooke*, in full for his Wages,	258	0	4
	To *Martha Perry*, an Order,	13	17	0
	To *Thomas Jenkins*, one of the 400 Men,	21	17	6
Nov. 2.	To *Joſeph Headly*, in Part *Peter Gromock's* Wages, - - -	100	14	0
	To *Joſiah Arnold*, two Orders	44	4	0
	To *Mary Stewart*, making Knapſacks,	5	19	0
4.	To *Charles Leſbrook*, on Account of his Wages,	15	8	0
7.	To *Simeon Brown*, an Order,	5	12	0
	To *Joſiah Arnold*, an Order,	25	0	0
	To *Roſanna Norton*, on Account of her Huſband's Wages, - - - - - -	24	0	0
	To *Rufus Franks*, - - - - -	18	12	0
12.	To 10 Suits of Broad-Cloth Cloaths, at £ 81 13, - - - - - -	816	10	0
	To 10 Swanſkin Jackets, at l. 8 12 8,	86	6	8
	To 10 Great-Coats ready made, l. 25 18,	259	0	0
	To 40 Check Shirts, £. 10 0 0	400	0	0
	To 10 Blankets, £. 14 10 0	145	10	0
	To 3 Doz. Yarn Stockings £. 32	96	0	0
	To 1 Doz. Mill'd Caps,	19	16	0
	To Short Charges in making 31 Suits of Cloaths By the Taylor, in October 13 laſt.	31	0	0
	To 2 large Hogſheads and 2 ſmall *ditto*, and Cooperage - - - -	12	0	0
	To 10 Pair of Shoes at £. 6 -	60	0	0
14.	To *Jedediah Freeman* (one of 400) paid	21	10	0
	To *Joſeph Young*, *ditto*, ~~*ditto*~~, -	21	10	0
	To *Thomas Aldrich*, paid Ballance of *Anthony Aylſworth*, deceas'd, Wages for 1756,	30	14	9
17.	To *Darius Seſſions*, (one Months Wages advanced *Philip Smith*, - - - - -	25	0	0
18.	To *Rufus Mackintire*, Ballance of his Account for Wages due in 1756, - -	55	10	0
	To *Jonathan Andrew*, ſundry Orders, - -	36	4	0
	To *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, (one of 400) - - -	21	10	0
22.	To *Sarah Feelix Abby*, on Account her Sons Wages, - - - - - -	11	16	0
24.	To *Jeremiah Whipple* and Order from *Jonathan Spear*, - - - - -	51	5	0
	To *Ebenezer Jenckes*, paid his Wife, - - -	30	0	0
25.	To *Randal Rice*, and Order from *Benjamin Howard*. - - - -	50	0	0

To

	To *Joſhua Greene* for his Horſe in Auguſt, -	15	0	0
	To *Robert Sterrey*, Ballance for Wages as Armorer in 1756, - - - - - -	345	12	0
28.	To *Amos Brock*, paid his Wife, -	10	11	0
Dec. 2.	To *John Thomas*, jun. paid for Bread Caſk, -	70	0	0
	To *Nathan Jacobs* for Knapſacks,	79	9	0
6.	To *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq; paid *Moſes* for Bread,	51	13	0
	To Capt. *John Potter*, Expences at Albany, 1756,	49	2	6
	To *Joſiah Alger* for Work at the Lake, -	11	19	6
7.	To *David Fuller* (one of 400) - -	21	10	0
	To *Caleb Fuller*, paid for ferrying Militia in Auguſt, - - - - - - -	25	4	0
	To *William Pearce*'s Bill for Victualling, - -	154	3	0
	To Doctor *Ephraim Bowen*, Medicines and Attendance of Soldiers in Sir *William Pepperell's* Regiment, - - -	30	0	0
1758.				
Jan. 4.	To *William Warner* (one of 400) -	21	10	0
	To *Thomas Wood*, *ditto*, - -	21	10	0
	To *Allenton Briggs*, *ditto*, - - -	21	10	0
	To *Iſaac Seamans*, deceas'd, paid *Thomas Steadman*, Ballance of his Account, 1756, -	91	6	0
	To *Silas Havens* (one of 400) - -	21	0	0
	To *Daniel Walker*, *ditto*, - -	21	10	0
	To *Amos Brocks*, Order to *Benoni Pearce*, -	9	0	0
6.	To *Abraham Cammett* (one of 400) - -	21	10	0
	To *Mercy Mitchell*, Boarding *Sampſon Siſſon*, -	25	0	0
10.	To Capt. *Thomas Fry*, for a Horſe loſt, 1756,	40	0	0
19.	To *William Thornton*, (400) - - - - -	21	10	0
24.	To *Benjamin Capwell*, *ditto*, -	21	10	0
26.	To *Caleb Greene* by an Order from *Abel Gibbs*,	100	0	0
27.	To *Uſual Greene*, Order from *Henry Greene*,	21	10	0
	To *Benjamin Butler's* Order to *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*,	30	15	7
Feb. 3.	To *John Reynolds*, jun. - -	9	0	0
20.	To *Joſiah Aylſworth*, deceas'd, paid his Wife (400)	21	10	0
	To *Carder Caſe*, (400) paid his Father, -	21	10	0
22.	To *Benjamin Whipple*, *ditto*, - -	21	10	0
28.	To *Aſa Kimball*, Order to his Father, -	50	0	0
	To *Elijah Inmans*, Order paid Mr. *Benjamin Torfolot*, - - - -	12	0	0
Mar. 7.	To *Samuel Nightingale*, Eſq; in full for 3 Hogſheads of Rum deliver'd September laſt,	113	1	0
	To *Elkanah Spear's* Order paid *Jeremiah Jenckes*, - - - -	12	18	0
	To *ditto*, paid *Jeremiah Dexter*, -	18	0	0
	To *ditto*, paid *Nathan Angell*, - -	48	15	0
	To *ditto*, paid *Daniel Marſh*, - -	123	6	9
	To *Nathan Angell*, keeping *James Tew's* horſe an Expreſs. - - - -	4	0	0
	To *David Wilkinſon's* Bill Victualling impriſoned Men, - - - -	15	6	4
20.	To *Robert Love's* Order to *Jonathan Ballou*,	100	0	0
	To *Mark Noble*, Order to *Eleanor Armſtrong*,	10	0	0
	To *John Kellom*, (400) - - -	21	10	0
	To *Mark Noble*, Order paid *Robert Nixon*,	108	17	0

	To *Ezra Stone*, Caſh paid,	18	0	0
	To Col. *Samuel Angell*, paid his Wife,	100	0	0
	To *Nehemiah Smith*,	5	0	0
	To *Peres Luther*, (400)	21	10	0
	To *Zebedee Mitchell*, *ditto*,	21	10	0
Apr. 12.	To *Thomas Thorton*,	87	0	0
28.	To Col. *Samuel Angell*, paid his Wife,	100	0	0
May 12.	To *Benjamin Hunt*	22	5	0
	To *Benjamin Eddy*, (400)	21	10	0
	To *William Roſs* in full for Work at Lake,	71	10	0
	To Capt. *Ebenezer Jenckes*	207	8	9
	To *Benjamin Lapham*	50	0	0
	To *George Reynolds* deceas'd, paid his Widow,	21	10	0
	To *Anthony Barton*, paid Part Wages,	63	9	0
	To *Benjamin Crandell*, paid *ditto*, *ditto*,	65	10	0
	To *Uriah Hawks*, paid *ditto*, *ditto*,	79	6	6
	To *Jeremiah Briggs*,	63	11	0
	To *Joſeph Seavy*,	176	19	6
	To Capt *Ebenezer Jenckes* Company, paid as per Account ſtated for each, 1757,	9945	12	9
	To Capt. *Daniel Wall's* Company, paid as *per ditto*,	13040	14	6
	To Cloathing ſent to *Albany* for Troops, as follows, viz.			
June 8.	C. R. No. 1, a Hogſhead containing 76 blue Lappel Coats, at £. 41 10*ſ.* *per*	3154	0	0
	74 *ditto*, Breeches, at £. 12 10*ſ.*	925	0	0
	17 Red and Blue Great-Coats, at £. 24	408	0	0
	Hogſhead No. 2, containing 136 Check'd Shirts, No. 0. at £. 7 10*ſ*	1020	0	0
	30 *ditto*, 2, at £. 8 10*ſ.*	255	0	0
	84 Swanſkin Jackets, at £. 9 10*ſ.*	793	0	0
	7 Dozen Yarn Hoſe, at £. 34 4	239	8	0
	10 red and blue Great Coats, at 24 *l.*	240	0	0
	Hogſhead No. 3, containing 57 red and blue Great Coats, at 24 *l.*	1368	0	0
12.	To *Samuel Nightingale*, Eſq; for 783 Gallons of Rum, at 47*ſ. per* Gallon.	1840	1	0
24.	To a Hogſhead, C. R. No 1, containing four blue Lappel Coats, at 41 *l.* 10*ſ.*	166	0	0
	5 Pair of Breeches, at 12 *l.* 10*ſ.*	62	10	0
	17 Flannel Jackets, at 9 *l.* 10*ſ.*	161	10	0
	1 Shirt, at 8 *l.* 10*ſ.*	8	10	0
	4 Hogſheads and Cooperage,	20	0	0
	To 54 Blankets, at 15 *l.*	810	0	0
	To 26 Knapſacks, at 40*ſ.*	52	0	0
	To Hogſhead of Bread, Qt. 2 Hundred, 1 Quarter, 18 Pound, Nt. at 17 *l.*	40	18	0
	The Hogſhead,	3	0	0
	To *William Weſt*, paid	21	10	3
	To *Joſiah Alger*, in full for Work at the Lake,	61	0	0
	To Bounties, Wages, Billeting, paid as follows.			
		Lawful.		
Mar. 22.	To *Ephraim Baker*, Bounty.	£. 5 8 0		

To *Peleg*

	Lawful.			Old-Tenor.		
To *Peleg Williams*, *ditto*,	5	8	0			
Aaron Cooke, *ditto*,	5	8	0			
Richard Brumingham, *ditto*,	5	8	0			
Henry Jones in Part,				77	2	0
Rufus M'Intire, in Part,	4	8	0			
John Kimball,	4	4	6	24	0	0
Aſa Johnſon,				100	0	0
Benjamin Cummins, in Part,	5	2	0			
Barnabas Thurber,	5	8	0			
David Whipple, for *Joſeph Caſs*,				100	0	0
Peleg Slocomb,	5	8	0			
Jonathan Herrenden,	5	8	0			
Daniel Sprague, Part,	5	2	0			
Jonathan Spear, Part,	5	2	0			
Abraham Hogg, Part,	5	2	0			
Solomon Kyes,	5	8	0			
Levi Wetheread,	5	8	0			
John Darnly, Part,	5	2	0			
Solomon Arthaton,	5	8	0			
Ebenezer Howard, Part,	5	2	0			
Jonathan Tower, Part,	5	2	0			
Nedebiah Smith,	5	8	0			
Sylvanus Scott, Part,	5	2	0			
John Renoff, Part,	5	2	0			
Ebenezer Jones, Part,	5	2	0			
Richard Alexander, Part,	5	2	0			
Richard Smith,				100	0	0
Stephen Sheldon,	5	8	0			
David Merry,	5	8	0			
Philemon Hind,	5	8	0			
Abraham Saliſbury,	5	8	0			
Oliver Weſtcote,	5	8	0			
Simon Martin,	5			10	0	0
Johnſon Weſtcote,	5	8	0			
John Cole,	5	8	0			
Cornelius Youngman,	5	8	0			
John Matthewſon, Part Bounty,	4	8	0			
Thomas Avery. Part,	4	8	0			
Benjamin Greene, Part,	4	19	0			
Jonathan Tyler,	5	8	0			
Timothy Williams,	5	8	0			
Benjamin Caboone, Part,	3	8	0			
Timothy Andrew, Part,	4	3	0			
Ebenezer Lewis, Part,				45	0	0
William Briggs, Part,				26	13	4
Thomas Streight	5	8	0			
Jeremiah Hatheway,	5	8	0			
Caleb Hill,	5	8	0			
John Strivens,	5	8	0			
John Moffatt.	5	8	0			
John Ruſſell,	5	8	0			
John Sprague,	5	8	0			
Eliezer Grover,	5	8	0			

William

		Lawful.	Old-Tenor
	To *William Roſs*,	5 8 0	
	Henry Strivens,		100 0 0
	Weymouth Ham,		100 0 0
	Jeremiah Broadway,		100 0 3
	Thomas Waſſamogg,		100 0 0
May 29.	*Auguſtus Allen*, Wages and Billitting		20 0 0
	John Galloway, *ditto*,		90 0 0
	Benjamin Cummins, *ditto*,	2 10 0	
	Noah Saunders,	8 6 8	
	James Mowrey	8 6 8	
	Cornelius Youngman	6 7 9	5 6 3
	Thomas Thornton	9 0 0	
	Thomas Buffill,		231 16 8
	Ebenezer Lewis	9 19 4	
	Richard Smith	8 8 0	
	Stephen Sheldon	6 18 3	27 12 9
	Ephraim Baker,	5 5 0	60 12 6
June 1.	*John Kimball*,	3 10 0	
	Johnſon Weſtcote,	8 3 0	5 10 0
	John Skillion	7 9 0	38 7 0
	Robert Williams	5 7 8	2 10 0
	Samuel Croſs,	5 10 7	
	Ebenezer Tyler,	5 17 8	11 19 0
	Jonathan Tyler,	5 17 0	
	Oliver Weſtcote,	8 3 0	5 10 0
	David Merry,	6 5 4	39 4 9
	Richard Brummingham,	3 8 6	104 19 0
	Philip Smith,	4 10 0	75 3 0
	James Blackamore, jun.	7 10 6	10 0 0
	Nathaniel Bowdiſh, Billitting and Wages,		31 5 0
	George Place,	7 3 8	16 0 0
	Anthony Place,	6 18 0	8 10 0
	Aaron Cooke,	3 5 0	90 0 0
	John Wood,	3 15 0	86 16 0
	Simon Martin,		67 5 0
	Moſes Bowdiſh,	9 7 0	27 5 0
	Jedediah Sprague,	5 2 3	37 11 0
	Joſeph Smith,	1 5 0	
	Ezra Olney,	1 0 0	3 10 0
	Samuel Bennett,		73 5 11
	Rufus Franks,		420 0 0
	John Mc.'Donald,		44 14 8
	Canet Mc.'Donald,		44 14 8
	Ebenezer May,		22 4 8
	Nathan Stone,		17 16 0
	John Whipple,		137 18 8
	Arthur Fenner,		214 11 6
	Ruth Amos, Waſhing Knapſacks, &c. - - -	0 10 0	
2.	*John Galloway*, - - -	2 10 8	12 0 0
	Thomas Collins,	6 16 6	20 5 0
	William Briggs,	8 12 4	

Francis

		Lawful.			*Old-Tenor.*		
To	*Francis Sweet,*	4	6	0			
	Benjamin Cahoone,	8	12	0	34	8	6
	Caleb Hill,				14	0	0
	Thomas Streight,	7	10	0	10	9	6
	Zechariah Matthewſon,	4	5	0	254	9	8
	John Woodin,	3	1	8	47	11	6
	Abraham Saliſbury,	8	1	0			
3.	*Jeremiah Hatheway,*	8	7	0			
	James Mowrey,	6	13	0	28	15	0
	Solomon Smith,	15	1	8	24	0	0
	Thomas Herrenton,	4	12	8	66	6	8
	John Strivens,	5	14	4	49	9	6
	Robert Berry,	5	9	10	14	10	0
	John Beverly,	1	13	10	135	8	2
	Thomas Waſſamogg,	8	6	6	11	2	6
	Stephen Wright,	4	19	0			
	Benjamin Greene,	8	5	8			
	Rhodes Tucker,	4	19	0			
	Stutely Burlingham,	4	19	0			
	Samuel Price,	4	19	0			
	James Jupiter,	4	19	0			
	John Seymour,	4	19	0			
	Daniel Boiſi,				26	6	6
	Jonathan Ballard,	8	0	0			
	Daniel Hudſon,	6	2	6	80	10	0
	Ebenezer Jones,	8	2	4	7	4	9
	Nedebiah Smith;				8	0	0
	Joſeph Caſs,	6	12	8	17	7	6
	John Darnly,	3	15	0	65	2	0
	Abraham Hogg,	8	1	0	47	18	9
	Ebenezer Howard,	5	12	4	48	0	0
	Levi Weatheread,	6	14	7	32	2	0
	Daniel Sprague,	7	19	2			
	Aſa Johnſon,	4	3	5	10	18	6
	Benjamin Cummins,	6	9	0	32	1	0
	Jonathan Spears,	9	1	6	30	8	6
	Solomon Kyes,				7	10	0
	Sylvanus Scott,	5	10	8	31	10	0
	Philemon Kimball,	7	1	0	14	5	0
	Weymouth Ham,	13	13	7			
	Noah Saunders,	7	7	0	16	0	0
	William Roſs,	12	7	0	23	18	0
	Abner Biſhop,	5	11	0	207	14	4
	Henry Strivens;	1	0	2	65	16	4
	John Cole,	8	10	0			
	John Ayliſworth,	6	7	3	18	5	3
5.	*John Matthewſon,*	8	5	8			
	Richard Smith, jun. Lieutenant,	12	0	0	599	4	0
	Auguſtus Allen, Enſign,	3	7	6	367	10	0
	Rufus Macintire, jun.	5	7	10			
	Benjamin Eddy, Lieutenant,				188	11	2
	Edward Smith, Lieutenant,	37	8	6	84	0	0

		Lawful.			Old-Tenor.		
	To *Samuel Saunders*, Lieutenant,	150	1	4			
	Capt. *Ebenezer Jenckes*,	105	1	0	184	0	0
	Zechariah Matthewſon, for a Blanket,				13	0	0
	John Wooden,	1	13	0			
	Jeremiah Broadway,	8	6	7			
	Capt. *Thomas Burkett*,	12	0	0			
	Obadiah Brown, Eſq;	150	0	0			
	Griffin Sweet,				21	10	0
	John Spencer,	3	6	0	19	2	0
	Allen Brown, Eſq;	1	10	9			
	Joſeph Bennett,	8	3	8			
	Exra Day,	8	3	8			
	John Bennett,	8	3	8			
	Jeremiah Corps,	3	17	0			
	Stephen Nickoll,	8	3	8			
	Chriſtopher Moore,	5	10	7			
	Obadiah Brown, Eſq;	50	0	0			
	Lieut. Col. *John Potter*,	73	2	8	500	0	0
	Silas Tucker,	0	8	9			
	James Hunter,	2	19	9			
	Edward Murphy,	2	10	0			
	John Olney,		13	4			
	Lieut. *Thomas Aylſworth*,	52	14	0	400	0	0
	Timothy Willmarth, Eſq;	262	9	7	800	0	0
	Arthur Fenner, Eſq; for Beef,	30	14	6			
	Capt. *Ebenezer Jenckes*, Order, paid *Daniel Wall*,	8	9	0			
	John Briggs, Order paid *Daniel Wall*,	1	4	0			
	John Lovell,	0	15	0			
	Joſhua Ingraham, for Beef,	7	3	4			
	Samuel Chace, Eſq; for Bread,	22	3	3			
	Jabez Pearce, for Shoes,	11	6	8			
	Timothy Sheldon, for *ditto*,	4	0	0			
	Samuel Butler, for *ditto*,	16	0	0			
	Stephen Rawſon, *for ditto*,	10	0	0			
	Obadiah Sprague, for Chocolat,	139	2	3			
	Samuel Aborns, for Bread,	6	11	0			
	Ruben Hopkins, for Shoes,	3	0	0			
July	11. *John Wheeler*'s Order, paid *Hopeſtill Cleaveland*, for Wages, 1755,	5	8	3			
	Ebenezer Curtes, paid his Wife,	1	13	0			
	Solomon Kyes, Order paid *Mowrey*,	3	0	0			
	20. *Obadiah Brown*, Eſq;	25	0	0			
	Dennis Montaigne,	1	6	8			
	Auguſtus Allen, paid his Wife,	2	14	4			
	Col. *Samuel Angell*,				214	8	0
	Daniel Marſh,	3	13	4			
	John Ruſſel, paid his Wife				30	0	0
	Charles Leſbrock, paid his *ditto*,	1	19	0			
	John Cobb, paid *Pardon Tillinghaſt*,	1	4	0			

	Lawful.	*Old-Tenor.*
Col. *Samuel Angell*,	300 0 0	
	924 14 6	1444 8 0
Amount of Page 1.		3552 11 9
Ditto, Page 2.		1703 17 8
Ditto, Page 3.		34348 6 0
Ditto, Page 4.	172 6 6	1399 10 0
Ditto, Page 5.	217 7 11	1200 4 3
Ditto, Page 6.	208 4 5	2174 4 10
Ditto, Page 7.	792 17 11	2653 14 4
Lawful Money, £.	2315 11 3	48976 16 10
To Caſh paid Meſſrs. *Obadiah Brown*, *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Samuel Chace*, for Auditting,		12 0 0
Old Tenor, £.		48988 16 10

The above is a true Copy from my Books, Witneſs my Hand,
Daniel Jenckes.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly to ſettle the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; one of the Committee of War, do find the Sum of Forty Eight Thouſand Nine Hundred Eighty-eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Ten Pence, Old Tenor; and Two Thouſand Three Hundred and Fifteen Pounds One Shilling and One Penny, Lawful Money, to be juſt and right, with proper Vouchers produced for both the above Sums, without any Commiſſions being charged, from the Twenty-ſecond Day of *October*, A. D. 1757, to the Twenty-fourth Day of *October*, A. D. 1758.

£. 48,088 16 10 Old Tenor,
£. 2,315 1 1 Lawful Money,

O. Brown,
Jo. Lippitt,
Sam. Chace.

Providence, October 24, 1758.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

What follows, is a Copy of the Account of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; a Member of the Committee of War; together with the Report of the Gentlemen who were by the General Aſſembly appointed to audit the ſame.

1757,	Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, to *Robert Potter*,	Dr.---
	To Caſh paid to compleat Capt. *Jeremiah Greene*'s Muſter-Roll,	£. 4093 12 8
1758.	To Caſh paid for billeting Soldiers, and ſundry other Neceſſaries, in Book No. 2.	15757 9 11
	To *Ditto*, in Book No. 3.	138 10 0
	To Caſh paid to compleat Col. *Babcock*'s, Capt. *Roſe*'s, and Capt. *Brown*'s, Lieut. *Hopkins*, and Enſign *Caſe*'s Muſter Rolls for the preſent Expedition, £. 1348 7 5 Lawful Money, equal in Old-Tenor, to - - - - -	24720 2 7

To

To Caſh paid to compleat Lieut. *Ruſſell*'s Muſter Roll,	2586	10	0
To Caſh paid ſundry Officers, to pay the Bounties and Levy Money, as *per* their Receipts,	12816	12	0
To Caſh paid ſundry Accounts,	1041	3	6
To 50 Blankets found for the Colony, at 15*l.* - - -	750	0	0
To 37 *Ditto*, 13*l.*	481	0	0
To Cloathing ſent to the Camp, as *per* Invoice, - - -	1554	10	0
To Cloathing ſupplied the Soldiers before they embarked, -	5314	13	9
To taking up two Deſerters, to wit, *Thomas Williams* and *Joſeph Billington*,	60	0	0
	£. 69314	4	5

To my Commiſſions, at *per Cent.*
Charleſtown, the 23d of *October*, 1758.

Errors Excepted, *per*
Robert Potter

Charlestown, 23d. *October*, 1758.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; one of the Committe of War, have careſully examined the ſame, and found proper Receipts and Vouchers for all the ſeveral Sums of Money charged in Caſh to the Government, in the above Account, excepting one Month's Wages to *Hezekiah Ingraham*. And, as to the Articles of Cloathing furniſhed the Soldiers and ſent to the Camp, we have carefully examined his Books, and find the Articles exactly to agree therewith.

Samuel Ward,
Joſeph Stanton. } Committee.

And the ſaid Report being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer ſell, for the moſt that they will fetch, four Bills of Exchange, amounting to the Sum of *Six Hundred Pounds Sterling*, which his Majeſty paid the Government by the Hands of his Excellency General *Amherſt*, for the Billeting of Soldiers, *and ſo forth*, and was lodged in the General Treaſury by Col. *Henry Babcock*.

Whereas *Latham Clarke* and *Thomas Arnold*, Eſqrs. were by this Aſſembly appointed to audit an Account charged againſt the Colony by Mr. *William Read*, and *George Gardner*, Eſq; for repairing his Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, purſuant to an Order of the General Aſſembly for that Purpoſe. And the ſaid Committee having performed the Buſineſs to them committed, did report, that they had examined the ſaid Account, and, finding good Vouchers to ſupport every Article thereof, were of Opinion, that it ought to be allowed.

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that Four Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Four Shillings and Seven Pence, the Amount of the aforeſaid Account, be allowed and paid the above-named *Willlam Read* and *George Gardner*. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

Whereas Major *James Arnold*, Capt. *Samuel Byles*, and Others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That an extraordinary great Flood did lately break down one Corner of the Butment at the South End of the Bridge over *Patuxet* River, which is very prejudicial to the Public, as the ſaid Bridge ſtands on the Poſt Road, and is very much uſed, not only by the People who live near the ſame, but alſo by thoſe of the Country that live more remote; and thereupon prayed this Aſſembly to appoint ſome ſuitable Perſon to put the ſaid Bridge into proper Repair.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Maj. *James Arnold*, jun. be, and he hereby is appointed to repair the Bridge aforeſaid, at the Charge of the Colony.

Whereas *Samuel Bartlet*, late of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Providence*, Eſq; deceas'd, forfeited, in his Life-time, the whole of his Eſtate, both Real and Perſonal; great Part of which hath already been received and appropriated to the Uſe of the Colony. And whereas, it hath been repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that there are ſeveral ſmall Debts outſtanding, due to the ſaid Eſtate, which yet remain unpaid; and that his the ſaid *Samuel Bartlet*'s only Daughter, Wife of *John Fiſh*, is in very low Circumſtances:

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That all and ſingular the perſonal Eſtate which belonged to the aforeſaid *Samuel Bartlet*, and hath not yet been received by the Colony, be beſtowed upon, and given unto the aforeſaid *John Fiſh* and his Wife; who are hereby authorized and fully impowered to aſk, demand, ſue for, levy, require, recover, and receive the ſame, unto their own proper Uſe, Benefit, and Behoof, forever.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That every able-bodied effective Man who will inliſt into his Majeſty's Service, in the Pay of this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign, ſhall be allowed one Month's Pay, and Billeting *back*, from the Time of his Inliſtment. And that every one who hath already inliſted, and it is not yet a Month ſince, ſhall be allowed ſo much, as will, with what is now due, make up a Month's Pay and Billeting.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Wages of the Perſon who ſhall go Surgeon of the Regiment by this Colony ordered for the enſuing Campaign, be Twelve Pounds Lawful Money *per* Month; and that each of his Mates ſhall be allowed and paid Five Pounds of the like Money *per* Month.

And it is alſo Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they hereby are directed to procure, under the Inſpection of the Surgeon, a *Doctor's Cheſt* for the Uſe of the Regiment: And that the ſaid Cheſt be as good a one as can be got for *Two Thouſand Pounds* Old-Tenor.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That there be made an Addition of one Perſon more unto the Committee of War in the County of *Kings County*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Gardner* of *Exeter*, in the County of *Kings County*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby added unto the Committee of War in the ſaid County.

An ACT for augmenting the Troops now in the Pay of this Government, to the Number of One Thouſand Men, including Officers, and forming the whole into one Regiment, for His Majeſty's Service.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion begun and holden at Providence, *within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on Monday the Eighteenth of* December *laſt, made and paſſed an Act for retaining in the Government's Service, all able-bodied effective Men then in the Pay of the Colony, during the Pleaſure of the General Aſſembly, excepting the Field and Commiſſioned Officers, who were diſcharged; and alſo ordered new Levies to be immediately made for His Majeſty's Service, agreeable to the Requeſt of his Excellency General* Amherſt.

And whereas, the King hath been pleaſed, by a Letter from the Rt. Hon. William Pitt, *Eſq; one of his principal Secretaries of State, bearing Date the ninth Day of the Month above-mentioned, to acquaint this Colony, that he expects the ſeveral Governments will raiſe at leaſt as many Men as they reſpectively raiſed the laſt Year, and as many more as their Circumſtances will admit.*

In Obedience therefore unto the Inſtructions aforeſaid, and to the End that every Thing in the Power of this Colony may be done for His Majeſty's Service,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Troops now in the Government's Pay, be augmented to the Number of One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men, including Officers, and formed into a Regiment of thirteen Companies, to be commanded by one Colonel, a Lieutenant Colonel, and a Major; each of which thirteen Companies ſhall be under the Command of one Captain, two Lieutenants, and an Enſign, three excepted, which are to be commanded by one of the Field Officers, two Lieutenants, and an Enſign.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Officers ſhall have and receive the ſame Pay as they had the laſt Year, and be allowed Six Pounds *per* Week for Billeting.

And for an Encouragement to the Soldiers now belonging to the Regiment to behave well, and to induce others to inliſt into the ſame, *Be it farther Enacted,* That each Soldier ſhall have a Knapſack and Blanket from the Government *gratis*, receive the ſame Pay and Billeting, and be entitled to all and every the Privileges and Immunities that the Soldiers had and enjoyed the laſt Year, *Bounty only excepted.* And the Officers and Soldiers ſhall be paid up to the twenty-ninth Day of the next Month, and have one Month's Pay advanced after that Time. And the Committee of War is hereby directed to ſend ſo many of the Soldiers to *Albany* by Water, as the Veſſels to be employed in tranſporting Proviſions thither, will carry, and the Remainder ſhall march by Land, or be ſent by Water, as his Excellency General *Amherſt* may direct, ſo as to be there by the tenth Day of *April* at fartheſt.

AND for the better Supplying the Regiment in the cheapeſt Manner with Cloathing and other Neceſſaries not furniſhed by the Crown,

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Be it farther Enacted, That a Commiſſary be appointed, who ſhall alſo be Sutler to the Regiment, and have the ſame Pay as was allowed to the Commiſſary and Sutler both, the laſt Year. And he is hereby directed and required to deliver unto the Soldiers, ſuch Things as the Government ſhall ſend for the Uſe of the Regiment, at *the prime Coſt*, including all Charges that may accrue thereon. *Provided*, that the ſaid Officer deliver nothing to any Soldier without an Order from the Captain, or other commanding Officer of the Company (for the Time being) to which ſuch Soldier belongs. And the Officers are hereby reſtricted and forbidden to draw any Order or Orders on the Commiſſary for Cloathing, or other Neceſſaries, exceeding the Monthly and Camp Wages due to the Soldier that applies for the ſame.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the Gentleman who ſhall be elected unto the conjoined Offices of Commiſſary and Sutler, ſhall give Bond unto the General Treaſurer in the penal Sum of Fifty Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, for the faithful Performance and Diſcharge of his Duty in every Reſpect. And he ſhall not carry with him on his own Account, any Neceſſaries of the ſame Kind with thoſe that ſhall be ſent by the Government. And as the *Officer* above-mentioned, may want Aſſiſtance, he is hereby authorized and fully impowered to appoint a Deputy or Deputies under him, to be choſen out of the Regiment by and with the Conſent of the Colonel. Nevertheleſs, he the ſaid *Officer* ſhall be accountable for the Conduct of any Perſon or Perſons whom he ſhall ſo appoint.

AND to prevent Soldiers from leaving the Regiment without an abſolute Neceſſity, *Be it farther Enacted*, That no Officer ſhall grant a Furlough to any Soldier, excepting the Colonel, or other commanding Officer of the Regiment for the Time being; and all Soldiers that ſhall leave the Regiment without ſuch Furloughs, ſhall be deemed Deſerters, and treated accordingly.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War give Directions unto the ſeveral Officers, which and how many of the Men already inliſted, they ſhall reſpectively command: And the Officers are hereby required to call their Men together within ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and to take Care that they are in Readineſs to embark or march for *Albany* by the twenty-fifth Day of the next Month.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War ſend to *Albany* for the Uſe of the Troops, in Addition to what is there already, Two Hundred and Eighty-three Shirts, Forty-one Caps, Four Hundred and one Pair of Stockings, Two Hundred and Ninety-eight Flannel Jackets, and Seventy-two Pair of Breeches, and no other Cloathing, except ſuch as the Commiſſary ſhall expreſſly ſend for, by and with the Allowance and Direction of the Colonel.

AND for the more effectual carrying this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted*, That the General Treaſury ſhall be ſupplied with the Sum of Sixteen Thouſand Pounds of the Bills of Credit called *Lawful Money*:

That

That Twelve Thouſand Pounds thereof be immediately printed and ſigned hy the Committee who ſigned the laſt Bills of the ſame Tenor and Form with thoſe that were emitted in *October* laſt: And that the ſame be paid and redeemed within five Years, together with the Intereſt thereof at the Rate of *Five per Cent. per Annum*, by a Rate or Tax to be aſſeſſed and levied on the Inhabitants of this Colony: And that in the mean Time, the General Treaſurer hire what Money he can; not exceeding the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*, upon the ſame Terms he was directed by an Act of the General Aſſembly, made and paſs'd the laſt *October*: And that what ſhall be wanting of the ſaid Four Thouſand Pounds, at the Time of the Twelve Thouſand being printed and finiſhed, be immediately printed and ſigned in Manner as is aboveſaid.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the Committee of War collect all the King's Arms that were iſſued to the Colony's Troops laſt Year, which can be found in the Government, and having got them put into proper Repair, ſend 'em to *Albany*, according to General *Amherſt*'s Requeſt.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Surgeon of the Colony's Regiment, ſhall be furniſhed and provided with a proper Cheſt of Medicines, and be aſſiſted with two good Mates during the Campaign: And that if *Canada* be reduced to the Obedience of his Majeſty, during the preſent Campaign, each of the Soldiers in the Service of this Colony, ſhall be entitled to the Sum of Ten Pounds Lawful Money on his Return, agreeable to the Promiſe made the Soldiers laſt Year.

An ACT for dividing the Town of *Providence*.

WHEREAS a large Number of the Inhabitants of the Weſtern Part of the Town of Providence, *preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that there are within the Limits of the ſaid Town, upwards of Four Hundred Freemen; great Part of whom live near ten Miles from the Place where the Town-Meetings are uſually holden, and the prudential Affairs of ſaid Town tranſacted; and that, when met, they are very much crowded, to the great Hindrance of Buſineſs; which being very inconvenient, they prayed to be ſet off, made, and erected into a diſtinct Townſhip.*

On Conſideratin whereof,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the ſaid Town of *Providence* be, and the ſame is hereby divided into two diſtinct and ſeparate Towns; and that the Bounds between them begin on the Southern Bank of *Wanaſquatucket River*, due North from the Eaſtermoſt Part of a certain Hill called *Solitary-Hill*, and extend due South from the ſaid Eaſtermoſt Part of the ſaid Hill, unto the Northern Line of the Town of *Cranſton*; thence Weſterly with the ſaid Line, until it meets with the Eaſtern Line of the Town of *Scituate*; thence Northwardly with ſaid Line, until it meets with the Southern Line of the Town of *Smithfield*; thence

thence Eaſtwardly with the ſaid Line, until it comes to a certain Place where the ſaid *Wanaſquatucket-River* croſſeth the ſaid Southern Line of the ſaid Town of *Smithfield*; and thence Eaſtwardly with the ſaid River, until it comes to the firſt-mentioned Boundary. And that all the Lands included within the Limits aforeſaid. ſhall be, and hereby are erected into and made a Town, to be diſtinguiſhed, called, and known by the Name of *Johnſton*; and the Inhabitants thereof ſhall have, hold, and enjoy, all and ſingular the Liberties, Privileges, and Immunities, that the other Towns in this Colony are entitled to.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Debts due or owing, and Money belonging to the Town of *Providence* before the Diviſion thereof, by this Act made, ſhall be divided in Proportion to the laſt Tax; and all Debts due from the ſaid Town before the ſaid Diviſion, ſhall be ſetled and paid in the like Manner.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all and every of the Juſtices of the Peace, and military Officers that were choſen and appointed for the Town of *Providence*, who live in that Part thereof which is now made *Johnſton*, be, and they hereby are continued in their reſpective Offices, with as full Power, and ample Authority, in every Reſpect, as they had in Conſequence of their being choſen into and commiſſionated for the Offices by them reſpectively ſuſtained. And Col. *Chriſtopher Harris* is hereby authorized and fully impowered to iſſue a Warrant, and call the Freemen of the ſaid Town of *Johnſton* to meet together at ſome convenient Place within the ſame, on or before the twentieth Day of the next Month, in Order to chooſe and appoint Officers neceſſary for the Managing and Conducting the prudential Affairs of the ſaid Town.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the aforeſaid Town of *Johnſton* ſhall ſend two Jurors, to wit, one *Grand* and one *Petit*, unto all and every of the Superior Courts of Judicature, Courts of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery; and alſo unto all and every of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, that ſhall be hereafter holden within and for the County of *Providence*.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby impowered and directed to get Thirty-ſix Great Coats made for the Uſe of the Regiment, by this Colony ordered for the enſuing Campaign; which Coats ſhall be worn only by the Guards of the ſaid Regiment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to write unto the Hon. *James De Lancy*, Eſq; Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *New-York*, and deſire him to deliver the Plate which was taken out of a Church in *Porto Plato*, on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, and is now in his Hands, to the *Spaniſh* Gentleman that was ſent by the Preſident of *St. Domingo* to *New-York*, on Purpoſe to receive the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *Joſeph Hollway* be, and he hereby is choſen *Commiſſary* and *Sutler* to the Regiment ordered by this Govern-

ment for the enſuing Campaign; Mr. *Thomas Rodman* (Son of *Clarke Rodman*, late of *Newport*, Phyſician, deceas'd) Surgeon; and Meſſrs. *Benjamin Brown*, and *Thomas Munro*, Mates to the ſaid Surgeon.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted, to cauſe the Accounts of Billeting, Tranſport-hire, *and ſo forth*, for Part of the Year *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix*, and the whole of *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven*, to be made out, agreeable to the Form laid before this Aſſembly by Col. *Henry Babcock*, and ſend them to his Excellency General *Amherſt* by the ſaid Colonel, in Order for Payment; and that the ſaid Money, when received by him, be lodged in the Hands of Mr. *Volkert Douw*, jun. the Colony's Agent.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Allen Brown*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Smith*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee to procure Materials for building a *Brick Court-Houſe* in *Providence*, of ſuch Dimenſions as ſhall hereafter be agreed on by the General Aſſembly, *Obediah Brown*, Eſq; having engaged to take the Timber at the Price it coſts, in Caſe the ſame ſhall not prove ſuitable for ſuch a Houſe as may be agreed upon, as is aforeſaid.

What follows, is an Account of Meſſrs. *Nicholas* and *John Brown*, Agents of the Privateer Brig *Providence*, together with the Report of a Committee appointed to audit the ſame.

1757. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to the Owners and Company of the Brig.* Providence, - - - - *Dr.*---

For Board of French *Priſoners*, &c.

TO Caſh paid *James Mitchel*, as *per* his Bill, No. 1. - - -	£.	413	10 0
To *Luke Thurſton*, *per Ditto*, No. 2. -		273	0 0
To *Benjamin Hunt*, *per Ditto*, No. 3. -		64	5 6
To *Jonathan Olney*, *per Ditto*, No. 4.		55	14 0
To *Nicholas Cooke*, *per Ditto*, No. 5. -		100	16 0
To *Arthur Fenner*, *per Ditto*, No. 6. -		85	10 0
To *George Corlis*, *per Ditto*, No. 7. -		50	0 0
To *Daniel Jenckes*, *per Ditto*, No. 8. -		50	0 0
	£.	1092	15 6
To be deducted as per Account Cr.		469	2 6
Ballance due,		623	13 0

Per Contra, - - *Cr.*

FOR overcharged in the Board, *&c.* of the five *French* Priſoners, as *per* Account charged on the Dr. Side,

viz.

Boarding the Captain 1ſt Prize, 20 Days before ſaid Prize condemned, at 8 *l.*	£.	22	17 0
Ditto the Captain of the 2d Prize, 20 Days at *Ditto*,		22	17 0
Ditto a Boy 20 Days, at 6 *l.*		17	3 0

Ditto

Ditto a Sailor 20 Days, at *Ditto*,	17	3	0
To *Ditto* a Sailor 20 *Ditto*, at *Ditto*,	17	3	0
Overcharged in *James Mitchel*'s Bill, No 1, for boarding 2 Sailors 22 Weeks, at 7 *l.* which is 20*s.* *per* Week more than what has been allowed to others,	22	0	0
Ditto in *Luke Thurſton*'s Bill, No. 2. one Captain 17 and an Half Weeks, at 10 *l.* over what's allowed before, at 40*s.* *per* Week,	35	0	0
Ditto in ſaid Bill for boarding a Sailor 14 Weeks, at 7 *l.* ------ 20*s.* *per* Week over,	14	0	0
Ditto in *Benjamin Hunt*'s Bill, No. 3, for boarding a Captain 6 Weeks and 3 Days, at 10 *l.* over, 40*s.* *per* Week,	14	13	6
£.	182	16	6

N. B. *Jonathan Olney* being Gaol-keeper, charged but 6 *l.* *per* Week, being the cuſtomary Sum allowed; but all the others have been paid as they ſtand charged.

Deducted for carrying Frenchmen to the Weſt-Indies, &c.

viz,	*Nicholas Cooke's* Bill,	No. 5.	100	16	0
	Arthur Fenner's Ditto,	No. 6.	85	10	0
	George Corlis Ditto,	No. 7.	50	0	0
	Daniel Jenckes Ditto,	No. 8.	50	0	0
	£.		469	2	6

Providence, March 2d, A. D. 1759

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly to audit the within Account of *Nicholas* and *John Brown*, as Agents for the Privateer Brig. *Providence*, do report, That there remains due to the ſaid *Browns* as Agents aforeſaid, the Sum of Six Hundred Twenty-three Pounds and Thirteen Shillings Old-Tenor, for which they ought to have an Order on the General Treaſurer. The within Accounts for carrying Priſoners off to the *Weſt-Indies, &c.* No. 5, 6, 7, and 8, we have not allowed.

Nicholas Eaſton,
Gideon Comſtock,
William Read,
O. Brown,
Othniel Gorton."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the above-mentioned Sum of Six Huudred Twenty-three Pounds and Thirteen Shillings, be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Nicholas* and *John Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Dennis Montaigne* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance as *a Waiter* on this Aſſembly at their laſt and preſent Seſſions, and for a Lanthorn he kept for the Uſe of the Court, which was burnt with the *Colony-Houſe* in *Providence*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted*

and

and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-one Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Dennis Montaigne* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Compton* exhibited an Account charged againſt the Colony for his attending eighteen Days *as a Waiter* on the General Aſſembly in their ſeveral Seſſions at *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed. and that Thirty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Compton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Hoyle*, jun. *Town Sergeant* of *Providence*, exhibited an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance on the General Aſſembly at ſeveral Seſſions there holden, to wit, that in *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, the two in *October* and *December* laſt, and this preſent: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Hoyle*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame unto the ſeveral Officers, who by the Laws of this Colony are appointed to receive and take Charge of them; and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor: But if not called before or at the ſaid Time, that then this Aſſembly ſhall be diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order the Fifteenth Day of March, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs *my Hand October the 19th 1759 exactly, Six Months, three Weeks & five Days, ſince the Copy was delivered the Printer as appears by his News-paper of the 27th of March.*

Tho Ward Secry

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Day before the General Election, being Tueſday the Firſt of *May*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.	JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JEFFRY WATSON, Eſq;	
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;		The SECRETARY.	

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton.* jun.
Mr. *John Jepſon,*
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton,*
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault,*
Mr. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins,*
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton,*
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Capt. *John Shrieve*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel.*

Warwick;
None.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Pendleton.*

Newſhoreham,
NONE.

North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup.*

South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Capt. *John Gifford*.
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *William Martin*,
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*.
Smithfield ;
None.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
None.
Charleſtown ;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*.
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall*.
Coventry ;
None.
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;

Middletown ;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Tiverton ;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Warren ;
Capt. *Thomas Cole*.
Cumberland ;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Samuel Teſt, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Cranſton ;
None.
Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
Johnſton ;
None.

PETER BOURS, Eſq; was choſen Speaker ; and JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS all and every of the Perſons whoſe Names are inſerted in the ſubſequent Roll, have taken the Oath or Affirmation preſcribed by the Law of this Colony againſt Bribery and Corruption in chooſing public Officers, as appears by proper Returns from the reſpective Town Clerks : *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That they, and every of them, be, and hereby are admitted *Freemen* of the Colony, and conſequently may lawfully give their Votes to chooſe Officers, not only for their reſpective Towns, but alſo in the Choice of General Officers.

NEWPORT

Solomon Townſend, Jabez Carpenter, Gideon Cornel, jun. William Stephens, John Goddard (Son of John) Ebenezer Carr, Alexander Bradford, David Lindſay, Paul Coffin, John Pate, Charles Fourtane, Richard Ward, jun. George Nichols, Joſeph Tillinghaſt (Son of Philip) Elias Bryer, Samuel Dyre *the third*, Henry Potter, John Townſend, William Taylor, Joſeph Southwick, Maxon Moſier, Thomas Wickham, jun. Thomas Weaver, Jonathan Clarke, jun. James Hawkins, Jethro Spooner, James Mumford, James Hardy, Samuel Tompkins, and John Heffernan.

PROVIDENCE ;

Charles Keen, George Payſon, Jonathan Allin, Benjamin Shepherd, Nathaniel Finney, Richard Seavers, Woodberry Morris, Joſeph Belknap, Job Smith, John Olney, jun. Noah Matthewſon, Joſeph Arnold, William

William Pain, Ithamar Olney, Abiel Smith, Levi Burr, Amos Allen, John Andrews, jun. Joſeph Crawford, jun. Jonathan Knowles, James Verry, Nehemiah Ward, Joſhua Greene, Barzillai Fiſher, Joſeph Hawkins, Nathan Sterry, Samuel Thurber, *(Shipwright)* Robert Foſter, Morris Hearn, John Cary, Joſeph Ruſſel, Henry Bacon, Gideon Dexter, Caleb Greene, Jeremiah Smith, Stephen Hartſhorn, Michael Cuſhing, Silas Downer, David Smith, John Fitten, Joſeph Tillinghaſt, Anthony Tripp, Rowland Sprague, Jonathan Olney, jun. William Lockwood, Urian Davis, Gideon Young, jun. Simeon Hunt, and John Aplin, jun.

PORTSMOUTH;

Peleg Tallman, Joſeph Shearman, George Brownel, jun. Jeremiah Lawton, Samuel Pearce, Robert Freeborn, William Brightman, and John Mancheſter.

WARWICK;

Richard Greene (Son of John) Benoni Price, jun. Job Rice, Chriſtopher Greene, John Knap, Joſeph Arnold (Son of Philip) Benoni Lockwood, Charles Holdon, jun. Simeon Arnold, Daniel Sweet, jun. Nathaniel Arnold, John Tibbits, Silas Clap, James Sweet, Job Arnold, Job Tripp, and Edward Gorton, jun.

WESTERLY;

Peleg Siſſon, William Scriven, James Crandal, jun. Nathan Saunders, Robert Brand, Benjamin Stillman, Joſeph Maxſon, Benjamin Lanphear, and William Steward.

NEWSHOREHAM;

Amos Dickens, Ray Sands, and Ezekiel Roſe, jun.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Peter Tourgee, jun. Benjamin Diamond, Jonathan Reynolds, Thomas Cooper,, James Cooper, Jedediah Kingſley, Benjamin Allen, jun. William Cole, Gilbert Cooper, John Spencer, Oliver Carpenter, and William Congdon.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Eliſha Watſon, Joſeph Taylor, John Watſon *the third*, Thomas Hawkins, Sylvanus Greenman, jun. John Peckham, Chriſtopher Gardner, Timothy Peckham, Clarke Gardner, Jonathan Babcock (Son of David) Holdon Eldred, Samuel Congdon, and William Weight.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Jonathan Olin, William Bailey, Ebenezer Herrington, John Arnold, jun. Nathan Spencer, and William Burlingham.

JAMESTOWN;

John Gardner, and James Carr, jun.

SMITHFIELD;

Caleb Buxton, Joſeph Whipple, Oliver Man, Jabez Wing, Daniel Wing, John Smith *the third*, Charles Winſor, Samuel Arnold, Jehu Pain, Benjamin Thompſon, William Alverſon, Joſeph Mowrey, John Man, Jedidiah Buffum, Eliſha Steere, Nathaniel Mowrey, Iſaac Phillips, Solomon Shippey, Eliſha Smith, jun. Hezekiah Sprague, and Samuel Thomſon.

SCITUATE;

SCITUATE ;

John Fiſk, jun. Richard Smith, Jeremiah Weatherhead, Joſeph Kimbell, jun. Ephraim Saliſbury, Philip Matthewſon, Vial Thomas, Joſeph Guile jun. John Horton, James Seamans, Matthew Hill, Chriſtopher Bullock, John Horton, jun. Joſhua King, Daniel Whitaker, and Samuel Whitten.

GLOCESTER ;

Abraham Fairfield, Silas Cook, Abraham Saunders, Zebedee Hopkins, jun. William Aldrich, Nathaniel Blackmarr, Joſeph Shippey, Iſrael Inman, Henry Shippey, Jeremiah Phillips, William Colwell, jun. William Biſhop, Abraham Baker, Moſes Bowdiſh, Nathaniel Bowdiſh, Joſeph Page, jun. Samuel Saliſbury, John Andrews, jun. Jedidiah Sprague, Stephen Saliſbury, John Burdick, Joſeph Roſs, Aſa Kimbell, and John Andrews (Son of John)

CHARLESTOWN ;

John Champlin, Thomas Kinyon, jun. James Kinyon, Edward Wilcox, and Iſaac Saunders.

WEST-GREENWICH ;

Joſeph Bowdiſh, Joſeph Hopkins (Son of William) William Thorne, George Dyre, Abraham Bowdiſh, and Job Greene.

COVENTRY ;

Stephen Bates, Hezekiah Bennet, Abel Potter, jun. Joſeph Cummins, Thomas Love, James Colvin, Ephraim Burlingham, Charles Campbell, and Ebenezer Lewis.

EXETER ;

Peleg Mumford, Thomas Barber, jun. Samuel Sweet, jun. Simeon Rathbun, Adam Richmond, Francis Weſt, John Rathbun (Son of John late of Newſhoreham) Jeremiah Gardner, Spink Hyams, and Roger Sheldon.

MIDDLETOWN ;

Joſeph Card, jun. Jonathan Weeden, John Holmes, and Edward Eaſton.

BRISTOL ;

William Holmes, Jeremiah Ingraham, Jonathan Ruſſel, Hezekiah Uſher, and Peter Church.

TIVERTON ;

Walter Cooke, Benjamin Crandal, Nathaniel Crandal, John Weight, Jonathan Hart, jun. Sion Seabury, George Crocker, Bennet Bailey, Chriſtopher Borden, David Mancheſter, Recompence Gifford, and Nathaniel Pettey.

LITTLE-COMPTON ;

John Peabody, jun. Gideon Taylor, Conſtant Woodman, Gideon Saliſbury, Thomas Davenport, and Philip Taylor.

CUMBERLAND ;

Daniel Lawrence, Ebenezer Robbins, Oliver Capron, Samuel Clarke, Enoch Tower, Joſeph Commins, jun. Richard Weeks, Abraham Joſlin, John Eſtes, John Arnold, and Nathaniel Shepherdſon.

RICHMOND ;

William Bentley, jun. Barnabas Hoxſie, John Watſon, Abel James, Edward Lillibridge, Benjamin Card, and John Peterſon.

CRANSTON ;

CRANSTON;

William Bennet, Chriſtopher Williams, Thomas Sarle, Nicholas Sheldon, jun. Edward Fenner, jun. Lippitt Remington, and Nehemiah Sheldon, jun.

HOPKINTON;

William M'Coon, Iſaiah Maxſon, John Porter, John Stanbrough, Nathan Palmer, Richmond Reynolds, Hezekiah Hall, Eber Crandal, jun. Joſeph Greene, Benjamin Maxſon, Joſeph Cole, Joſeph Witter, jun. Gideon Allen, Matthias Button, John Deak, John Tanner, David M'Coon, Jacob Hall, Caleb Wells, Joſhua Wells, Nathaniel Wells, Parker Burdick, Samuel M'Coon, Daniel Lewis, Samuel Crandal, John Steward, Stephen Allen, Daniel Butler, Stephen Maxſon, and John Crandal, jun.

JOHNSTON;

Conſider Luther, George Beverly, jun. Ephraim Peirce, Andrew Harris, Thomas Borden, Joſiah Harris, Zephaniah Eddy, Benjamin Waterman, jun. and Samuel Smith, jun.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Wedneſday of *May*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH BROWNEL, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;	
ELISHA BROWN, Eſq;		JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;	
GIDEON COMSTOCK, Eſq;		DANIEL COGGESHALL, Eſq;	
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;		JEFFRY WATSON, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton.* jun.
Mr. *John Jepſon,*
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton,*
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault,*
Mr. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins,*
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton,*
Mr. *John Shearman,* jun.
Capt. *John Shrieve,* jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel.*

Warwick;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, Eſq;
Maj. *James Arnold,* jun.
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Pendleton.*

Newſhoreham;
Capt. *Edward Sands,*
Mr. *Carder Haſzard.*

North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*

South-Kingſtown;
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard,* jun.
Latham Clarke, Eſq;

Eaſt-Greenwich;
Maj. *John Arnold,*
Capt. *John Gifford*

Jameſtown
Mr. *William Martin,*
Mr. *Iſaac Howland.*

Smithfield;
Mr. *John Sayles,* jun.
Mr. *Joſeph Mowrey,* jun,

Scituate
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;

Glouceſter;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor,*
Capt. *Rufus Smith.*

Charleſtown;
Capt. *Robert Potter,*
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin.*

Weſt-Greenwich;
Capt. *Charles Carr,*
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall.*

Coventry;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter.*

Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds,*
Benoni Hall, Eſq;

Middletown;
Mr. *Samuel Baley,* jun.
Mr. *James Barker,* jun.

Briſtol;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;

Tiverton.
Philip Tabor, Eſq;

Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmonds.*

Warren;
Capt. *Thomas Cole,*
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey.*

Cumberland;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;

Richmond;
Samuel Teſt, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;

Cranſton;
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

Hopkinton;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke,*
Capt. *Edward Wells,* jun.

Johnſton;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

JOSHUA BABCOCK, Eſq; was choſen Speaker; and JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the ANNIVERSARY ELECTION of Officers, both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, to wit.

The

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Governor: *Engag'd.*
The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Dep. Governor; *Engag'd*
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Jabez Bowen, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Nicholas Cooke, Eſq; Fourth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
William Richmond, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Joſeph Brownel, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant; who refuſing,
Jonathan Freeborn Eſq; was choſen in his Stead, and *Engag'd.*
Joſeph Edmunds, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd*
Francis Willet, Eſq: Ninth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Henry Gardner, Eſq; (Son of *Nicholas*) Tenth Aſſiſtant, *Engag'd.*
Thomas Ward, Eſq; Secretary; *Engag'd.*
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General; *Engag'd.*
Thomas Richardſon, Eſq; General Treaſurer; *Engag'd.*

The Hon, *John Gardner*, Eſq; Chief
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; Second
William Richmond, Eſq; Third
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq; Fourth
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq; Fifth
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Joſeph Wanton, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Andrews, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

William Pendleton, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County*,

Thomas Greene, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol.*

Benoni Waterman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Job Bennett, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

Barzillai Richmond, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Joſeph Haſzard, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County.*

Nathaniel Pearſe, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol.*

James Arnold, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Jonathan Otis, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Angel, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Samuel Albro, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County.*

Joſiah Humphrey, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol.*

James Wightman, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Edward Scott, Peter Bours, William Anthony, Jonathan Freeborn, and *Thomas Gould*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport.*

Daniel

Daniel Jenckes, Job Randal, Thomas Lapham, Richard Steere, and *Thomas Arnold,* Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence.*

Stephen Haſzard, Immanuel Northup, Chriſtopher Champlin, Thomas Brown, and *Benoni Hall,* Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings County.*

Matthew Allen, James Smith, Nathaniel Munro, Nathaniel Pearſe, and *John Kinnicut,* Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol.*

Philip Greene, William Spencer, Othniel Gorton, Caleb Greene, and *Joſeph Nichols,* Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent.*

CLERKS of the Superior Courts of Judicature, Courts of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

John Grelea, jun. Eſq; *Newport.*
John Foſter, jun. Eſq; *Providence.*
Latham Clarke, Eſq; *Kings County.*
John Uſher, jun, Eſq; *Briſtol.*
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq; *Kent.*

CLERKS of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; *Newport.*
Mr. Nicholas Brown, *Providence.*
Mr. Stephen Haſzard, jun. *Kings County.*
Mr. Thomas Throops, *Briſtol.*
Daniel Howland, Eſq; *Kent.*

SHERIFFS of the ſeveral Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

George Gardner, Eſq; *Newport.*
Allen Brown, Eſq; *Providence.*
Beriah Brown, Eſq; *Kings County.*
Nathaniel Boſworth, Eſq; *Briſtol.*
Stephen Arnold, Eſq; *Kent.*

The Hon. *Gideon Wanton,* Eſq; *Benjamin Nichols, James Sheffield, Obadiah Brown, Samuel Chace, James Arnold,* and *Nicholas Eaſton,* Eſqrs. the Grand Committee, or Truſtees of the Colony, for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And the aforeſaid *Benjamin Nichols* is choſen and eſpecially appointed to take and have the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the Money due, and to be due thereon: And alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe, when he receives any of the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all thoſe that refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

Mr. *Edward Thurſton,* General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throughout the Government.

George Taylor, Eſq; *Public Notary* for the Town and County of *Providence.*

Juſtices

JUSTICES of the Peace in the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;

Martin Howard, Samuel Collins, Charles Bardin, Thomas Ward, Peter Eaſton, Joſeph Sylveſter, Barnabas Hargil, Daniel Goddard, John Grelea, jun. John Davis, jun. and Jonathan Eaſton, Eſqrs.

PROVIDENCE;

Joſeph Snow, Ebenezer Jenckes, James Angel, Samuel Nightingale, Samuel Chace, and George Taylor, Eſqrs.

PORTSMOUTH;

William Earl, Robert Dennis, Iſaac Barker, John Almy, and Weſton Hickes, Eſqrs.

WARWICK;

John Warner, jun. Barlo Greene, Ebenezer Slocum, Richard Eſtes, Samuel Gorton (*Son of Samuel*) and Azrikam Pearce, Eſqrs.

WESTERLY;

William Hearn, Silas Greenman, Benoni Smith, Joſeph Crandal, Elias Thompſon, and John Larkin, Eſqrs.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Nicholas Northup, jun. William Hall (Son of Robert) Chriſtopher Spencer, John Spink, Stephen Northup, Samuel Browning, jun. George Wightman, jun. and Ephraim Gardner, jun. Eſqrs.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Samuel Teft, John Caſe, Job Babcock, William Browning, Jeremiah Crandal, William Weight, and John Lillibridge, Eſqrs.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Thomas Aldrich, Giles Pearce, Samuel Sowle, George Vaughan, Thomas Shippey, John Spencer (*Son of William*) and Benjamin Sweet, Eſqrs.

SMITHFIELD;

William Arnold, Thomas Steere, Daniel Mowrey, Daniel Mowrey, jun. Stephen Sly, Samuel Winſor, and Joſeph Kelly, Eſqrs.

SCITUATE;

Gideon Harris, Charles Harris, John Fiſk, Samuel Dorrance, Jeremiah Angel, and Benjamin Slack, Eſqrs.

GLOCESTER;

Andrew Brown, Thomas Barns, Benjamin Smith, Abraham Tourtelot, Iſrael Arnold, Jonah Steere, and Jonathan Harris, Eſqrs.

CHARLESTOWN;

Peleg Croſs, Gideon Hoxſie, Nathaniel Sheffield, and Job Taylor, Eſqrs.

WEST-GREENWICH;

William Comſtock, Samuel Hopkins, Iſaac Johnſon, Pardon Tillinghaſt, and Amos Stafford, Eſqrs.

COVENTRY;

George Hall, Stephen Potter, John Greene, John Bucklin, and William Bates, Eſqrs.

EXETER;

Job Tripp, Newman Perkins, Daniel Barber, Stephen Richmond, and Benjamin Reynolds, Eſqrs.

MIDDLETOWN;

John Taylor, John Barker, and Joſhua Coggeſhall, jun. Eſqrs.

BRISTOL;

Shearjaſhub Bourn, Leveret Hubbard, Royal Payne, Hezekiah Uſher, and Samuel Church, Eſqrs.

TIVERTON;

Samuel Hickes, Philip Tabor, Reſtcome Sanford, Thomas Anthony (Son of Joſeph) and Gideon Wilcox, Eſqrs.

LITTLE-COMPTON;

Joſeph Wood, Robert Taylor, Thomas Church, and Conſtant Southworth, Eſqrs.

WARREN;

John Cole, James Brown, John Adams, and Ebenezer Cole, Eſqrs.

CUMBERLAND;

Job Bartlet, John Dexter, Jeremiah Whipple, and Robert Aldridge, Eſqrs.

RICHMOND;

John Webſter, Samuel Teſt, Sylveſter Kinyon, Thomas Kinyon, Edward Perry, and Eliſha Babcock, Eſqrs.

CRANSTON;

William Burton, Joſeph Harris, Matthew Mancheſter, Thomas Fenner, Charles Rhodes, Thomas Potter *(Son of John)* and Joſeph Rhodes, Eſqrs.

HOPKINTON;

Benjamin Randal, Daniel M'Coon, Simeon Perry, Joſhua Clarke, and Hezekiah Collins, Eſqrs.

JOHNSTON;

Henry Harris, John Waterman, and Nathan Pearce, Eſqrs.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Election of all the Military and other Officers, who have not been choſen at this preſent Seſſion of Aſſembly, be poſtponed, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next: And that all ſuch as are now in Office, whether acting with Commiſſions, or otherwiſe, be, and hereby are continued in their reſpective Offices, until that Time, with as full Power and ample Authority, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as they have at any Time had ſince their firſt Appointment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee that was appointed to audit the Accounts of the Grand Committee, perform and compleat that Service as ſoon as they poſſibly can, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly in ſuch a Manner, as that the true State of the ſaid Grand Committee's Office may be perfectly known in every Particular.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the new Court Houſe lately ordered to be built in the Town of *Providence*, be erected upon the Lot where that that was deſtroy'd by Fire laſt Winter, ſtood, or upon the Lot to the Northward of that whereon the Meeting-Houſe of the People called *Quakers*, ſtands, provided the ſame be purchaſed for the Colony's Uſe, and for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, without any Charge to the Government.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Latham Clarke*, Eſq; and Maj. *Ebenezer Brenton*, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Kings County*, the Seal of the ſaid Court, together with all and ſingular the Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every other Thing that appertains unto the ſaid Clerk's Office, and deliver them unto the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Othniel Gorton*, and *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Kent*, the Seal of the ſaid Court, together with all and ſingular the Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every other Thing that appertains unto the ſaid Clerk's Office, and deliver them unto the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

Whereas *Ebenezer Tyler* of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, and Colony aforeſaid, Mariner, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in *June* laſt, he received a Commiſſion from his Honor the Governor, authorizing him to proceed with a Flag of Truce, and carry *French* Priſoners unto the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, in a certain *Sloop* called the *Hare*, owned by Meſſrs. *Richards* and *Coddington*, of *Newport* aforeſaid, Merchants, and the Petitioner: That on his Paſſage thitherward, he was taken by a *New-York* Privateer, commanded by one *Morley Harriſon*, and carried into *Monto-Chriſto*; where the ſaid *Harriſon*, after having examined the Petitioner's Veſſel, took out of her all of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty's Subjects, which were nineteen in Number, and then ſent the ſaid Sloop *Hare* down to *Jamaica* for Trial, where the Agents for the aforeſaid Privateer thought it unadviſeable to prefer a Libel in the Court of Admiralty, againſt the Petitioner's Veſſel, and ſo gave him a Diſcharge: Whereupon he proceeded to *Port-au-Prince* on the ſaid Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, with his aforeſaid Commiſſion: That upon his Arrival there, he was treated with Kindneſs and Reſpect by the General, and had any *Engliſh* Priſoners been in the Place, they would have been delivered up in Lieu of thoſe that were taken from him, as is aforeſaid: That he the Petitioner having finiſhed his Buſineſs at *Port-au-Prince*, ſet Sail for this Colony; but on the nineteenth Day of *December* laſt, was taken by a *French* Privateer commanded by one *Raffael*, who ſaid that he belonged to the *Meſſaſippi*: But the Petitioner is well aſſured he belongs to *Hiſpaniola*: That the Petitioner and his People, all except one Boy, were ſet on Shore upon *Cuba*, without Money or Proviſions, ſixteen Leagues from any Inhabitants, from whence they travelled to the *Havannah*, where he took Paſſage Homeward, and is lately arrived in this Government: Whereupon

upon the ſaid *Ebenezer Tyler* prayed for another Commiſſion, authorizing him to proceed with a ſecond Flag of Truce, in Order to find out the Captain of the *French* Privateer aforeſaid, and obtain Satisfaction for the Injuries received and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Ebenezer Tyler*, in his aforeſaid Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

An ACT for compleating the Regiment ordered by this Government to be raiſed for the King's Service, againſt his Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*.

WHEREAS Soldiers are wanted to fill up the Regiment aforeſaid: Therefore, and to encourage good Men *to inliſt and fill up the ſame,*

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all ſuch able-bodied effective Men as hereafter inliſt into the ſaid Regiment, ſhall be allowed and paid down, upon inliſting, Wages and Billeting for two Months back from the Time of inliſting; which amounts to One Hundred and Eleven Pounds *Old-Tenor*, or Six Pounds One Shilling and Two Pence *Lawful-Money*: And that on or about the Time of Embarkation, each Man ſhall have two Months *Pay* advanced to him.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the whole Number of Men already raiſed, ſhall upon their Arrival at *Albany*, be, by the Field Officers, diſtributed into Thirteen Companies; each to conſiſt of Men equal in Number and Goodneſs.

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Committee of War in the ſeveral Counties appoint ſuch and ſo many inliſting Officers as they ſhall think proper; and that one *Captain*, two *Lieutenants*, and an *Enſign*, to be ſelected out of four different Companies, remain in the Colony as recruiting Officers, and in Order to be ſent away with Recruits as they may be raiſed; And that the ſaid recruiting Officers, and every other Perſon who ſhall inliſt an able-bodied effective Man, or bring one to either of the Committee of War to be inliſted, ſhall have and receive Fifteen Shillings *Lawful Money* for every ſuch Man that inliſts.

An ACT for raiſing a Number of Seamen to help compleat the Manning a Squadron of the King's Ships at *Halifax*.

WHEREAS Admiral Durel *hath applied to this Government for Seamen to compleat the Manning of his Majeſty's Ships under the ſaid Admiral* Durel's *Command at* Halifax.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all able-bodied effective Men, that inliſt into the Service aforeſaid, ſhall be allowed and paid as a Bounty out of the General Treaſury, over and above the King's of Forty Shillings Sterling that is to ſay, every able-bodied effective Seaman, the Sum of

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Six Pounds Sterling, and every ordinary one Four Pounds Ten Shillings like Money: That his Honor the Governor be, and hereby is requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: And that the Committee of War appoint proper Perſons to inliſt the aforeſaid Seamen, and procure Paſſages for them to *Louiſbourg* or *Halifax*.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the Number of Seamen who ſhall inliſt into the Service aforeſaid, be accounted Part of the Thouſand Men by the General Aſſembly ordered for the Campaign of the current Year.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury towards procuring Stores and other Neceſſaries for the Fort, and for compleating the Ravelins of the ſame, *and ſo forth*: And that ſix Men be inliſted as Soldiers for the ſaid Fort, who are alſo to labor thereon: That the Town of *Newport* have the Direction of laying out the Money above-mentioned, and agree with the Soldiers upon the beſt Terms they can, and that their Wages be paid out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *David Harris* be, and he hereby is added unto the Committee appointed for building a new Court-Houſe in *Providence*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he hereby is directed to hire at Six *per Cent*. what Gold, Silver, Lawful Money, and Old-Tenor, as ſhall be wanted to carry on the Building of the Fort (agreeable to the Act of this Aſſembly) and for ſending away the Troops. *And farther*, That the Treaſurer renew his Bonds at Six *per Cent*. for the Money he hath hired of private Perſons, that is to ſay, ſuch as are now due.

Whereas Mr. *Samuel Champlin*, at the laſt Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, was appointed an Officer in the Regiment ordered by this Colony for the approaching Campaign; but by Miſtake, his Name was entered *Thomas* in the Minute Books of the Secretary and Clerk of the Lower Houſe, and a Commiſſion made out accordingly: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he hereby is requeſted to order the Commiſſion aforeſaid, as well the Record to be corrected.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; which is hereby adjourned to the ſecond Monday of *June* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, May *the* 14*th*, 1759. *by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Eleventh of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, and Thirty-ſecond of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq; NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq; JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq; NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq; WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JONATMAN FREEBORN, Eſq; JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq; JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq; FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq; HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon: JOSHUA BABCOCK, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Jepſon*,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Mr. *John Baſs*,
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Obadiah Brown, Eſq;

Portſmouth;
Mr. *Francis Brayton*,
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Capt. *John Shrieve*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*.

Warwick,
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *James Arnold*,

John

John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Weſterly;
The Speaker,
Col. *Joſeph Pendleton.*
Newſhoreham;
Capt. *Edward Sands*,
Mr. *Carder Hazard.*
North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
Capt. *Daniel Fones.*
South-Kingſtown;
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
Latham Clarke, Eſq;
Eaſt-Greenwich;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Capt. *John Gifford.*
Jameſtown;
Mr. *William Martin*,
Mr. *Iſaac Howland.*
Smithfield;
Mr. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun,
Scituate;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*,
Capt. *Rufus Smith.*
Charleſtown;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin.*
Weſt-Greenwich;
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall.*
Coventry;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Petter.*
Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds.*
Middletown;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Briſtol;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *Simon Davis.*
Tiverton:
Samnel Durfey, Eſq;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Warren;
Capt. *Thomas Cole*,
Maj. *Joſiah Hamphrey.*
Cumberland;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
Richmond;
Samuel Teſt, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Cranſton;
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Hopkinton;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
Johnſton;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That all the Officers and Soldiers raiſed by this Government for the Campaign of the current Year, who yet remain in the Colony, and are well enough to go, be immediately ſent away. in Order to join the Army as ſoon as poſſible.

What followeth, is an Account which was exhibited unto a former Aſſembly.

" WHEREAS it happened *October* 8th Day, *A. D.* 1757, " whereby was created by an *Indian* Man, named *John Ab-* " *ſalom*, that ſpitefully and felonioufly killed *Thomas King:* For, " Trouble and Expence about four Days; for Victuals, Drink, and " Lodging, and being put by all Buſineſs both in the Houſe and with-

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" out, I computed, and laid at the Sum of £. 50 0 0
" A true Copy of the original Book, Errors excepted, *teſt per* me, " *Nathaniel Phillips.*" And the ſaid Account being by the ſaid Aſſembly referred unto a Committee in order to its being examined: Which Service being undertaken and performed by the Gentlemen that were appointed, they reported as followeth, to wit,"

" WE the Subſcribers, being appointed to conſider the within Account, met at the within named *Phillips's* Houſe, and made due " Examination into the Circumſtances of the whole Affair, and on " Conſideration thereof, do report, that the whole of the within Account be allowed the within named *Nathaniel Phillips*: Witneſs " our Hands, *March* 19th, 1759. *Jeremiah Angel, Caleb Greene.*"
Unto which Report, the Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit, " To our Time and Trouble in examining the within Account " ſeveral Miles diſtant from our Homes, £. 6 0 0 *Jeremiah Angel, Caleb Greene.*"

And this Aſſembly having taken the ſaid Report and Account into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Amount thereof, being Fifty Pounds including Ten Pounds heretofore granted, be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Nathaniel Phillips* out of the General Treaſury: And alſo that the foregoing Account of the Committee be allowed, and Six Pounds, the Amount of it, paid them out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Job Hunt*, a Soldier in the Pay of this Colony, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that he was in the Action at *Ticonderoga* in *July* laſt, and there received a grievous Wound in his Hip, that he was lamed by it, and hath remained lame ever ſince, which has reduced him ſo low, that he hath not been able to ſtir about until lately: Moreover, that he loſt a conſiderable Part of his Cloathing in the ſaid Action, and hath not one ſingle Penny to help himſelf: Whereupon the ſaid *Job Hunt* prayed this Aſſembly to weigh his deplorable State and Condition, and grant him a proper Allowance.
And the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, being duly enquired into and conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds be allowed and paid the ſaid *Job Hunt* out of the General Treaſury, (excluſive of any future Penſion) in Conſideration of his Bravery in Defence of the Country, and the heavy Misfortune he met with in its Service.

An Act for raiſing Two Thouſand Four Hundred Dollars, for and towards the erecting a Public Edifice in the Town of *Newport*, to be called and known by the Name of MASONS-HALL.

Whereas *Robert Jenkins*, jun. Maſter, *John Mawdſly*, and *Samuel Brenton*, Wardens, and the Chief of the Society of the Free and Accepted Maſons in the Town of *Newport*, with ſundry other Perſons Inhabitants of this Colony, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that as the ſaid Town hath no Building in it ſufficiently large

large and commodious for public Entertainments, where the *Governor* and Council or General Aſſembly may occaſionally meet and dine: And where any of his Majeſty's Governors or other Officers may be publickly entertained, as they paſs through this Government, They the ſaid Society have agreed to ſet on Foot, and erect a commodious Building to be called and known by the Name of MASONS-HALL, for the Uſe of the ſaid Society and Purpoſes aforeſaid; but finding their Fund to be unequal to the Expence, they prayed that a Lottery may be opened and ſet up, in Order to raiſe Twenty-four Hundred Dollars for carrying on and compleating the propoſed Building.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Sum of Two Thouſand Four Hundred Dollars be forthwith raiſed by a Lottery, to be opened, ſet up, and drawn in the Town of *Newport*: And that the following be the Scheme thereof, to wit,

The Lottery ſhall conſiſt of Four Thouſand Tickets at four Dollars each; whereof One Thouſand One Hundred and Thirteen ſhall be fortunate, without any Deduction.

No. of Prizes.		*Value of each.*		*Total Value.*
1	of	1000 Dollars	is	1000
1	of	500	is	500
2	of	200	are	400
6	of	100	are	600
6	of	75	are	450
11	of	50	are	550
38	of	30	are	1140
48	of	20	are	960
1000	of	8	are	8000
1113				13600
2887		Deduct for the Building.		2400
4000	Tickets at 4 Dollars each,			16000

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; *Godfrey Malbone*, jun. Eſq; Meſſrs. *Silas Cooke*, *Benjamin Maſon*, *Chriſtopher Champlin*, jun. and *Solomon Townſend*, be, and they are hereby conſtituted Managers or Directors of the ſaid Lottery; that they be under Oath for the faithful Diſcharge of the Truſt to them committed, give Security to the General Treaſurer for the Payment of the Prizes, diſpoſe of the Tickets, and proceed to the Drawing as ſoon as the Lottery ſhall be filled.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Sum of Two Thouſand Four Hundred Dollars, when raiſed in Manner as is aforeſaid, ſhall be forthwith paid by the ſaid Directors into the Hands of the Treaſurer of the ſaid Society of *Free and Accepted Maſons*, in the Town of *Newport*, for the Time being, as a Fund for and towards the carrying on and compleating the Edifice aforeſaid, according to ſuch Plan and under the Inſpection and Management of ſuch Perſon or Perſons as the ſaid Society ſhall deviſe

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and appoint. And that the ſaid Building when erected, ſhall ſerve and be improved for the Celebration of all publick Feaſts and Entertainments as they may occaſionally happen, in which the Governor and Council of this Colony, or the General Aſſembly thereof, may be immediately concerned, but for no other Uſe or Purpoſe whatſoever, without the Conſent and Leave of the ſaid Society of *Free and Accepted Maſons*, be firſt had and obtained.

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Maſter, Wardens, and Society aforeſaid, ſhall have, and hereby is granted them, full Power and Authority to purchaſe and take, to have, hold, and enjoy unto themſelves, and their Succeſſors, a ſuitable Lot of Land in the Town of *Newport* aforeſaid, whereon to build the Structure aforeſaid, and that the ſame when erected ſhall veſt in them and their Succeſſors for ever, ſubject to the Direction and Superintendence of the ſaid Society or the major Part thereof.

AND forasmuch as it may happen that Diſputes and Controverſies may ariſe from Time to Time, as well about the Building and Repairing of the ſaid Houſe, as the Regulation and Government thereof, it is neceſſary that the ſaid Society have a Name in Law. *Be it therefore farther Enacted*, That the Society aforeſaid be, and they are hereby incorporated a Body Politick in Fact and Name, by the Name of THE MASTER, WARDENS, AND SOCIETY OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS, in the Town of *Newport*, and that by the ſame Name, they and their Succeſſors ſhall, and may be, Perſons able and capable in Law to ſue and be ſued, to plead and be impleaded, to anſwer and to be anſwered unto, to defend and to be defended againſt, in all and ſingular Suits, Quarrels, Matters, Actions, and Things, of what Kind or Nature ſoever, touching and concerning the Building aforeſaid.

AND to prevent any Embezelment or Miſapplication of the Sum of Money aforeſaid when raiſed, *It is farther Enacted*, That the Treaſurer of the ſaid Society, ſhall give the General Treaſurer of this Colony, for the Time being, ſufficient Security to render an Account of the Money aforeſaid, and of the Application thereof, when he ſhall be called upon ſo to do.

Whereas *Joſeph Cowley* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Merchant, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for tranſlating out of *Spaniſh* into the *Engliſh* Tongue ſundry Letters from the Preſident, and Judge of the Eccleſiaſtical Court at St. *Domingo*, unto his Honor our Governor reſpecting a Quantity of Church Plate ſtolen out of the Church of *Puerto Plato* on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola, and ſo forth.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved* that Twenty-five Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Joſeph Cowley*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Othniel Gorton*, and *Thomas Aidrich*, Eſqrs. were, by the General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee to receive of Mr. *John Walton*, jun. late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County of *Kent*, the Records, Seal, Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the aforeſaid Office, and deliver them unto *Daniel Howland*, Eſq; the preſent Clerk. And whereas the Com-

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mittee above named have informed this Aſſembly that the ſaid *John Walton*, jun. refuſes to deliver the ſaid Records, Seal, and ſo forth unto them.

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County aforeſaid, be, and he is hereby directed, and fully impowered, to take with him ſufficient Aid, and by Force take from the ſaid *John Walton*, jun. the Records, Seal, Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the Office aforeſaid, and deliver the ſame unto the Committee above-named, who are hereby directed to deliver them unto the aforeſaid *Daniel Howland*.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all Fines that relate to the Mending of Highways, be, and they hereby are augmented to Threefold of what they now are by Law.

Whereas *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden in *Providence*, on Monday the Eighteenth of *December* laſt; for furniſhing Paper on that Occaſion; for publiſhing in the *Newport Mercury* ſix Weeks, an Abſtract of the Law relating Deſerters, and for publiſhing two Advertiſemenis for adjourning the *Court of Enquiry*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty-four Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Glaſs Windows of the Colony-Houſe and Gaol in the Town of *Newport:* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Twenty Pounds Fifteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which ought to have been holden by Adjournment at *South-Kingstown*, within and for the County of *Kings County*, in *May* laſt, fell through, by Reaſon there were not Judges enough there to conſtitute *a Quorum:*

Wherefore,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Court aforeſaid be, and the ſame is hereby revived, and ſhall be opened and holden in *South-Kingstown* aforeſaid, on the laſt Monday of *July* next; when and where all Officers, Parties, Jurors, Witneſſes, and all and every other, Perſon and Perſons having any Concerns in the ſaid Court, are to give their Attendance; and the Sheriff of the ſaid County is hereby required to ſet up Notifications, that this Act may be made public, and thoſe concerned, govern themſelves accordingly

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It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Benedict Helme*, Eſq; be, and hereby is choſen Clerk of the ſaid Court, in the Room of *Latham Clarke*, Eſq; who refuſes to take upon him to act any longer in the ſaid Office.

Whereas *Mehetabel*, the Wife of Capt. *John Randal*, of *Providence*, in the Colony aforeſaid, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That her Huſband ſailed from *Providence* aforeſaid, Commander of a certain private Veſſel of War, called, *The Black Snake*: That being in the *Weſt-Indies*, he had the Misfortune to be taken on or about the ſixth Day of *January* laſt by a *French Frigate*, who carried him with his Company unto the Iſland of *Granada* on the Coaſt of *Caraccas*, where he and they are all detained and remain Priſoners at this Day, as ſhe the Petitioner hath been fully informed: That ſuch is the Situation of the ſaid Iſland, together with the critical Circumſtances of Affairs between the *Engliſh* and *French* in thoſe Parts, that it hath been hitherto, and yet is impracticable for him the ſaid *Randal* and Company, to return of themſelves: Wherefore the ſaid *Mehetabel* prayed that a Veſſel may be authorized to proceed with a Flag of Truce unto the ſaid Iſland of *Granada*, in Order to bring the ſaid *John Randal* and his Company Home again.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, That Mr. *James Brown*, of *Providence* aforeſaid, Merchant, who was one of the principal Owners of the private Man of War aforeſaid, be, and he hereby is authorized and fully empowered to equip and ſet forth a Veſſel to proceed unto the Iſland of *Granada* aforeſaid, for the Ends and Purpoſes aboveſaid: *Subject nevertheleſs* unto all and every of the Regulations by Law enjoined in the Caſe of a Veſſel's proceeding or going unto a Port or Harbour of the Enemy with a Flag of Truce.

Whereas *Nathan Angel*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Fire-Wood, Candles, and Houſe Room, by him provided for the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, that was laſt holden at *Providence*, within and for the County aforeſaid: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty Pounds, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *Nathan Angel* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Iſrael Wilkinſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account amounting to Eighteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſehire, and Expences, in carrying an Expreſs of the Earl of *Loudoun* from *Smithfield*, unto the late Governor *Greene*, which he was ordered to do by the Authority of the ſaid Town of *Smithfield*, the former Meſſenger being tired: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifteen Pounds of it be allowed and paid the ſaid *Iſrael Wilkinſon* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the

the County of *Providence*, be forthwith cited, by the preſent Sheriff of the ſaid County, to appear before this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion, in Order to lay before them an Account of all the Fines and Forfeitures, belonging to the Colony, which he has received, and now remain in his Hands; and alſo to preſent all his Accounts againſt the Colony, that have not been ſettled.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol* be cited by the Town Sergeant of the Town of *Briſtol*, to appear in like Manner before the ſaid Aſſembly, and for the like Ends and Purpoſes with thoſe mentioned above, relating to *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq;

Whereas *Oliver Helme*, one of the Deputies of the Sheriff of the County of *Kings County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly. an Account amounting to Sixty-two Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his attending on the General Aſſembly, as a Waiter at three Seſſions holden in *South-Kingstown*, to wit, That in *October*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, and the two in *February* and *March* following; for Fire-Wood, and cutting the ſame for the Uſe of the Members, and for ſummoning ſuch of them as live in the ſaid County, to meet and hold the above-mentioned Seſſion in *February*, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued for that Purpoſe by the late Governor *Greene*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty-three Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Oliver Helme* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Gideon Cornell*, of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, and Colony aforeſaid. Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented, That the General Aſſembly at a Seſſion begun and holden in *South-Kingstown*. within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Monday of *February*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred Fifty-four, did, in Conſequence of a Petition preferred by him and *Abraham Borden* of *Newport*, Eſq; make and paſs an Act that his Honor the Governor ſhould commiſſionate two Veſſels, one to proceed unto *St. Jago de Cuba*, and the other to *Hiſpaniola*, in Order to reclaim two Veſſels and Cargoes that belonged unto the ſaid *Gideon* and *Abraham*, which had been illegally ſeized and carried into thoſe Places: But that the Affairs of the ſaid *Cornel* and *Borden* have been in ſuch a Situation, that it hath not been in their Power until of late to take the Benefit of the aforeſaid Grant: Wherefore he the ſaid *Gideon*, prayed that they may now have the ſame Liberty as was given them by the Act of Aſſembly aforeſaid.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *Gideon Cornel* in his above recited Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, provided that the Veſſel or Veſſels that they ſhall ſend, be under the ſame Regulations with other Veſſels that go to the Enemy's Ports or Harbours with a Flag of Truce.

Whereas *Thomas Aldrich* of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, Eſq;

Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for his Time, Trouble, and Expence, in receiving (as one of the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe) the Charter and Colony-Seal, together with the Book and other Papers, uſually kept by the Governors of this Colony, from the Executors of the late Governor *Greene*, and delivering them unto his Honor the preſent Governor. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that nine Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Aldrich* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Samuel Standly* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Mariner, now confined Priſoner to his Majeſty's Gaol in the ſaid County, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that he ſtands committed on two Executions, and one Writ, and not chooſing to remain where he is, on the fourteenth Day of *May* laſt inliſted to ſerve the King by Sea, upon the Encouragement given by the General Aſſembly, yet, notwithſtanding the Demands of no one Perſon, againſt him, do amount to Three Hundred Pounds, or even all of them put together,, he is kept under Confinement in direct Violation of the Laws of this Colony: Wherefore, as he is willing and ready to enter upon Duty, he the ſaid *Samuel* humbly prayed, that his Affair may be taken into Conſideration, and ſuch Orders given reſpecting his Diſcharge, as may be thought right.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That if there are no juſt Demands againſt the ſaid *Samuel Standly*, from any one Perſon to the Amount of Three Hundred Pounds *Old Tenor*, that he be diſcharged from Gaol, upon his going in the Government's Service.

Whereas *Robert Pate* exhibited unto the lower Houſe, an Account amounting to Two Hundred and Eight Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Three Pence, by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in going as an Expreſs to carry Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly unto the ſeveral Towns in the Government, in *November* One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix; for his Time, Horſehire, and Expences, in going with an Expreſs to the late Governor *Greene*, and Colonel *Andrews*, on Account of the Congreſs that was holden by the Earl of *Loudoun* at *Hartford*, and for going to *Boſton* with an Expreſs unto the ſaid Earl: Which Account was by the ſaid Houſe ſubmitted to a Committee by them appointed to audit the ſame: And the Gentlemen having undertaken and performed the Service, made the following Report:

" WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to audit the " within Account, do report, that it is our Opinion, that " One Hundred and Seventeen Pounds of the ſame ought to be al- " lowed and paid the ſaid *Robert Pate*." And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the ſaid Sum of One Hundred and Seventeen Pounds, be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Robert Pate*, out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT for the farther Regulation of the Setting of the General Aſſembly.

WHEREAS by the Law now in Force in this Colony regulating the Seſſions of the General Aſſembly, the ſame is holden in no other Counties than thoſe of Newport, Providence, *and Kings-County, which is found to be inconvenient,*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame it is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, there ſhall be one Seſſion of the General Aſſembly holden by Adjournment, annually at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in Turn from the other Counties, beginning Firſt with the County of *Newport*, to wit, from this preſent Seſſion. The next Adjournment to the ſaid County of *Kent*, ſhall be from the County of *Providence*, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty; the Third from the County of *Kings-County*, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and ſo continue annually from County to County, in the ſame Order. And that this Act repeal ſo much, and no more of the former Act that regulates the holding of the General Aſſembly, than that Part which relates to the annual Adjournments aforeſaid, as the ſame is herein above expreſſed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Rate of Eleven Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*, be paid by the ſeveral Counties in the ſame Proportion as the laſt Rate was paid.

An ACT apportioning unto, and upon the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, the Rate or Tax lately ordered to be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of the ſame.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden by Adjournment at Providence, *within and for the Colony aforeſaid on* Monday *the twenty-ſixth of* February *laſt, made and paſſed an Act,* " *That a Rate or Tax of* Eleven Thouſand Pounds in the Bills " of Credit emitted by this Government, called Lawful Money, *ſhould* " *be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, and levied, collected, and* " *brought into the General Treaſury by the laſt Day of* October *next, for* " *paying off the Government's Troops upon their Return from the Cam-* " *paign*"; *Which Rate or Tax hath not been apportioned as yet.*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, it is Enacted, That the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, ſhall be, and hereby is apportioned unto and upon the ſeveral Towns, at the ſame Rate and Proportion as the laſt Colony Rate was; that is to ſay

The Town of Newport				The Town of *Providence*			
ſhall pay	£. 2200	0	0	ſhall pay	£. 667	11	0
Portſmouth	494	11	4	*Smithfield*	634	14	7
				Newſhoreham			

Newſhoreham	232	16	8	*Scituate*	281	12	0
Jameſtown	247	16	6	*Gloceſter*	280	10	0
Middletown	338	9	1	*Cumberland*	183	9	7
Tiverton	363	10	2	*Cranſton*	426	2	10
Little-Comoton	357	16	3	*Johnſton*	166	0	0
	£. 4235	0	0		£. 2640	0	0

The Town of Weſterly ſhall pay	£. 276	18	5
North-Kingſtown	498	8	5
South-Kingſtown	803	15	5
Charleſtown	191	13	9
Exeter	243	14	8
Richmond	167	0	10
Hopkinton	228	6	10
	£. 2409	18	4

The Town of *Briſtol* ſhall pay	291	4	10
Warren	268	16	10
	£. 560	1	8
The Town of *Warwick* ſhall pay	£. 508	19	5
Eaſt-Greenwich	283	18	2
Weſt-Greenwich	181	1	3
Coventry	181	1	3
	£. 1155	0	0

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of each reſpective Town, ſhall aſſeſs and apportion the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, unto and upon the Inhabitants thereof, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that the ſaid Town Clerk ſend a Copy thereof in four Days after his receiving the ſame, unto the General Treaſurer, who is hereby directed and required to iſſue his Warrants in four Days after he hath received the ſaid Bill or Liſt, unto the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in each reſpective Town.

The Subſcriber diſſents from the Bill aforeſaid, and for theſe Reaſons.

Firſt That from ſad Experience it is obvious, that the Merchants of the Town of *Newport*, have loſt, in the Courſe of their Trade, upwards of Two Millions of Money ſince the Commencement of the preſent War; which muſt greatly reduce their Stock, and conſequently all other Perſons reſiding in ſaid Town, who have Connections with, and depend upon them for a Livelihood and Subſiſtence, muſt proportionably ſuffer, and therefore ſaid Inhabitants are not in a Capacity to pay ſuch a Proportion of the Tax as is enjoined by the Bill aforeſaid.

Second. That the Price of Proviſions and all other Neceſſaries of Life being greatly increaſed by Reaſon of the War, is an additional Burthen to, and greatly diſtreſſes the Inhabitants of ſaid Town, who depend on Trade and Labor for their Support. At the ſame Time it may be obſerved, that the Inhabitants of the other Parts of the Colony, are proportionably benefitted in the Price of the Produce of their Eſtates, occaſioned alſo by the War; which ſtill ſhews the Incapacity of the Inhabitants to pay, and of Conſequence the Inequality thereof.

J. Honymun.

We

We join in the above Proteſt. *Joſ. Wanton*, jun.
D. Ayrault, jun.

We beg leave to diſſent againſt ſaid Vote for the following Reaſons.

Firſt. We are willing to pay a proportionable Part of the Tax according to the laſt Rate that was levied on the Town of *Providence*, taking out the Number of Inhabitants that was taken off for *Johnſton*, and that Sum that fell to them then; and ſo for a greater or leſſer Sum.

Second. We are willing to come to a true Eſtimation of the Town of *Johnſton*, and the Town of *Providence*, and proportion according to ſaid Eſtimation. Which Things we conceive to be reaſonable, and are refuſed by the Town of *Providence*, and therefore we enter our Proteſt againſt ſaid Vote.

Thomas Owen,
John Waterman.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Salary of the General Treaſurer of this Colony, ſhall for the future, be, and hereby is augmented to the Sum of One Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor *per Annum*, commencing from the Time of his being choſen at the General Election in *May* laſt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Election of all Officers, both Military and others, which was by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *May* laſt, referred to this, be, and the ſame is hereby farther poſtponed: And that all ſuch as are now in Office, whether acting under Commiſſions, or without, be, and hereby are continued in their reſpective Offices, until the General Aſſembly ſhall order otherwiſe, with as full Power and ample Authority, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as they have at any Time had, ſince their firſt Appointment.

An ACT for raiſing One Hundred and Fifteen Men, in Order to compleat the Number of Soldiers by the General Aſſembly ordered for the Campaign of the current Year.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That One Hundred and Fifteen able-bodied effective Men be raiſed in this Government before, or on the tenth Day of *July* next, to compleat the Regiment ordered by the General Aſſembly, for the Campaign of the current Year. Which Men, when raiſed, ſhall be preſented unto the Committee of War, who are hereby directed to ſend them immediately unto *Albany*, to join the Regiment there.

AND for the Encouragement of ſuch Men to inliſt as may be fit for the Purpoſe, *Be it farther Enacted*, That a Bounty of Fourteen Pounds in the Bills of Credit called *Lawful Money*, emitted or to be hereafter emitted by this Colony, ſhall be given each able-bodied effective Man that

that inlifts within the Time aforefaid: He fhall alfo be intitled to the fame Monthly Wages, Privileges, and Immunities with the other Soldiers now in the Regiment, and receive a Month's Pay before the Time of his Embarkation.

And in Order to carry this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted* That there be immediately ftruck off, the Sum of Four Thoufand Pounds of the Bills above mentioned for fupplying the General Treafury, which fhall carry Intereft at the Rate of Five *per Cent. per Annum*, and be redeemed by a Rate or Tax, to be affeffed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, within three Years from the Day of the Date of the faid Bills.

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby directed, and fully impowered to pay the Bounties and Wages of every Soldier that fhall inlift, as aforefaid, and provide Tranfports and Provifions, to carry the Soldiers to Albany, as is aforefaid, and that the fame Committee who figned the laft Bills of Credit, called *Lawful Money*, be, and they hereby are authorized, and fully impowered to provide Materials, get the faid Bills printed, and when they have figned the fame, put them into the Hands of the General Treafurer, for the Purpofe aforefaid, as foon as poffibly they can: That his Honor the Governor tranfmit a Copy of this Act unto his Excellency General *Amherft*, with the utmoft Difpatch, and that the fame be immediately publifhed by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*. Which was done accordingly, the 16th Day of June, 1759, by THO. WARD, Secr'y.

Whereas his Excellency General *Amherft*. by Letters to this Government, infifts that the Regiment ordered by the General Affembly for the Campaign of the current Year, be compleatly filled up, and that One Hundred and Fifteen Men, the Amount of the Deficiency, be forthwith raifed and fent to *Albany*. And this Government being willing to exert themfelves to the uttermoft of their Abilities, have concluded to comply with his Excellency's Requeft: *It is therefore Refolved*, That for the filling up and compleating the faid Regiment, there be a Number of inlifting Officers appointed for the feveral Towns in the Colony, to wit: For *Newport*, Meffi'rs *James Hardy*, *Henry Gardner*, *Robert Lillibridge*, jun. *William Pelfue*, *Thomas Crowley*, *Henry Sabin*, and *Thomas Attwood*; for *Providence*, Meffi'rs *Samuel Weftgate*, *John Hoyle*, and *Cyprian Sterry*; for *Portfmouth*, Meffi'rs *Benjamin Hall*, *Joftua Allen*, and Capt. *Benjamin Cornel*; for *Warwick*, Meffi'rs *Oliver Arnold*, *Jofiah Arnold*, *Ebenezer King*, *Henry Rice*, and Lieut. Col. *James Arnold*; for *Weflerly*, Meffi'rs *James Bliven*. Capt. *Elias Thompfon*, and Col. *Jofeph Pendleton*; for *North-Kingftown*, Capt. *Benjamin Allen*, Meffi'rs *Edward York*, and *Jonathan Vaughan*, for *South-Kingstown*, Meffi'rs *Oliver Helme*, *Simeon Hafzard*, and *Charles Hull*; for *Eaft-Greenwich*, Meffi'rs *Jonathan Andrews*, *Elijah Johnfon*, and *Silas Spencer*; for *Jamestown*, Meffi'rs *Thomas Bentley* and *William Martin*: for *Smithfield*, Col. *Refolved Waterman*, Capt. *Stephen Arnold*, and Mr. *Jeremiah Mowrey*; for *Scituate*, *Benjamin Slack*, Efq; Capt. *Amos Hammond*, and Mr. *Stephen Williams*; for *Glocefter*, Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*, and Capt.

Rufus Smith; for *Charleſtown*, Capt. *John Champlin*; for *Weſt-Greenwich*, Mr. *Job Spencer*, Capt. *Simon Draper*, and Capt. *Abel Potter*; for *Coventry*, Capt. *Joab Stafford*, Mr. *Iſrael Bowen*, and Mr. *William Chace*; for *Exeter*, Meſſi'rs *Benjamin Weight* and *William Hyams*; for *Middletown*, Mr. *Thomas Weaver* (Son of *Clement*); for *Briſtol*, Meſſi'rs *John Wardwell* and *William Pearce*; for *Tiverton*, Meſſi'rs *Robert Barker* and *Giles Brownel*; for *Little-Compton*, Meſſi'rs *Jeremiah Briggs* and *John Briggs*; for *Warren*, Capt. *Thomas Cole* and Mr. *Joſhua Bignall*; for *Cumberland*, Meſſi'rs *Benjamin Tower*, *Eliſha Ballou*, and *David Whipple*; for *Richmond*, Maj. *Richard Bailey*, and Mr. *William Potter*, jun. for *Cranſton*, Lieut. Col. *John Potter*, Capt. *Samuel Byles*, and Mr. *Caleb Arnold*; for *Hopkinton*, Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun. and Mr. *Roger White*; for *Johnſton*, Meſſi'rs *John Waterman*, jun. and *Abraham Belknap*.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved. That the ſaid inliſting Officers ſhall be allowed and paid by the Committee of War, as a Bounty, the Sum of Thirty Shillings *Lawful Money* for every able-bodied effective Man they ſhall reſpectively inliſt and bring to the ſaid Committee, until the whole Number of One Hundred and Fifteen is inliſted; and that no Coſt or Charge ſhall be allowed for the ſaid Service beſides the Bounty aforeſaid.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Jonathan Freeborn*, Eſq; be, and he hereby is choſen a Town's Committee-man for *Portſmouth*, and Capt. *Peleg Croſs* to the like Office for the Town of *Charleſtown*, in the Room of Mr. *Thomas Browning*, who refuſed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Seven Hundred Pounds be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury unto his Honor the Governor, for his laſt Year's Salary and extraordinary Service.

What follows is the Report of a Committee appointed by the Lower Houſe. " We the Subſcribers being appointed to examine the Accounts of *Richard Partridge*, Eſq; late Agent for the Colony, find that he has charged his Salary and Expences for the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, which was to become due the ſeventeenth Day of *Auguſt*; but as he died in *March*, we have deducted out of his Salary and Expences from *March* to *Auguſt*, and find due Sixty-four Pounds Eight Shillings and Six Pence Sterling, which ought to be paid.

Job Randal, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the above-mentioned Sum of Sixty-four Pounds Eight Shillings and Six Pence Sterling, be paid out of the General Treaſury unto *Andrew Oliver*, Eſq; in Part of the Bill drawn on this Government by the above-named *Richard Partridge*, and that his Honor the Governor accept to pay the above-mentioned Sum in Part of ſaid Bill, and ſuffer the Remainder to be proteſted.

What follows is a Report of the Committee that ſigned the ſame. " *Newport*, *May* 23*d*, 1759. We report, That we have received of

of *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, One Thouſand One Hundred and Eighty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Six Pence *Crown-Point Money*; Two Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds and Four Pence *Lawful Money*, emitted in *February*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, which is in full for ſaid Money, and Five Thouſand Six Hundred and Five Pounds Nineteen Shillings *Auguſt Lawful Money*; which Sums we have burnt.

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield, } Committee."

Unto which Report, the ſaid Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit:

" *COLONY*, *Dr.*---

To our Time and Trouble. £. 24 0 0

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield."

And the Premiſſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; that the Account of the Committee be allowed, and that Twenty-four Pounds, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *James Sheffield*, out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT in Addition to an Act, made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at a Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on the firſt Day of *May*, One Thouſand Six Hundred and Sixty-ſix, entituled, *An Act to prevent exceſſive Riding in any of the Streets or Highways of the Towns of* Newport *and* Providence.

WHEREAS the Fine for exceſſive Riding *in the Streets or Highways of the Towns of* Newport *and* Providence, *as fixed by the Act aforeſaid, is ſo ſmall, that Perſons uſually guilty of ſuch Offences, regard not the Conſequences.*

Therefore, and to prevent the like Diſorders in the Towns of *Eaſt-Greenwich* and *Briſtol*,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, it is Enacted, That if any Perſon ride faſter than a common travelling Pace in any of the Streets or Highways of the Towns of *Newport* or *Providence*, or in the compact Parts of the Towns of *Eaſt-Greenwich* or *Briſtol*, the Offender ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine, the Sum of *Ten Shillings Lawful Money* for every ſuch Offence; to be recovered upon Complaint thereof made before any one or more of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the Town where the Offence ſhall be committed.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the compact Part of the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, ſhall be deemed and underſtood to be, and hereby is declared to extend from the Houſe of *Rufus Greene*,

Greene, Eſq; in the ſaid *Eaſt-Greenwich*, unto the Houſe of Capt. *Gideon Caſey*, within the Townſhip of *Warwick* : And that all Fines and Forfeitures that may accrue, ariſe, or be incurred by or from the Violation of this Act, ſhall be diſpoſed of in ſuch Manner as in and by the Act aforeſaid, is pointed out and eſtabliſhed.

Whereas *Peleg Rogers*, Town Sergeant of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Fifty-eight Pounds, by him charged againſt the Colony, for looking after the Court-Houſe the laſt Year ; for ſweeping and cleanſing the ſame on Occaſion of the holding ſeveral Seſſions of Aſſembly, and other Courts therein ; for cutting and carrying in Wood for their Uſe, *and ſo forth* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty-three Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Peleg Rogers* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to build a new Court-Houſe in *Providence*, be, and they hereby are authorized and impowered to draw Money, not exceeding the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, out of the General Treaſury, as the ſame may be wanted, for carrying on the Building of the ſaid Houſe.

An ACT for raiſing Two Thouſand Dollars for and towards building a Court-Houſe in the Town of *Providence*, and *purchaſing a Library*.

WHEREAS the Court-Houſe in the Town of Providence, *and a very valuable Collection of Books, were conſumed by Fire in the Night of the 24th of* December *laſt ; which Collection of Books belonged to a Number of Perſons in the ſaid Town of* Providence, *and in other Towns of the County of* Providence :

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Sum of Two Thouſand Dollars be forthwith raiſed by a Lottery. to be opened, ſet up, and drawn in the ſaid Town of *Providence* ; and that the following be the Scheme thereof. It ſhall conſiſt of Seven Thouſand Eight Hundred Tickets, at Two Dollars each ; whereof Two Thouſand and Forty-two ſhall be fortunate, without any Deduction.

Number of Prizes.

1	of	500 Dollars.	is	500
1	of	400	is	400
2	of	300	are	600
3	of	200	are	600
4	of	150	are	600
5	of	100	are	500
6	of	60	are	360
12	of	30	are	360
108	of	10	are	1080
500	of	6	are	3000
1400	of	4	are	5600

2042	fortunate.	To be paid in Prizes,	13600
5758	Blanks.	For the Purpoſes aboveſaid,	2000
7800	at two Dollars each, amount to		15600

AND

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That One Thouſand Dollars of the ſaid Lottery, when drawn, be appropriated to the Uſe of a Court Houſe, to be erected in the Town of *Providence* aforeſaid, and the other Thouſand be expended and laid out for the Purchaſing a Collection of Books, to be ever kept in the ſaid Town of *Providence :* Free Acceſs unto which, ſhall be always had by the Members of the General Aſſembly, during all and every of their Seſſions in the ſaid Town of *Providence.* But nevertheleſs, the Property of the ſaid *Library* ſhall be veſted in the Proprietors of *the former.*

AND be it farther Enacted, That *Allen Brown,* Eſq; Meſſi'rs *Darius Seſſions, David Harris, Nicholas Tillinghaſt,* and *John Jenckes,* of *Providence,* and Mr. *Benjamin Maſon,* of *Newport,* be, and they are hereby conſtituted Managers or Directors of the ſaid Lottery ; that they be under Oath for the faithful Diſcharge of the Truſt to them committed, give Security unto the General Treaſurer, in double the Sum of the fortunate Tickets, for the Payment of the Prizes, to *Daniel Jenckes* and *Obadiah Brown* of *Providence* aforeſaid, Eſqrs. who alſo upon receiving of the ſaid Prizes, ſhall give ſufficient Security unto the General Treaſury, to apply the Money forthwith unto the Ends and Purpoſes aforeſaid : And that the Managers or Directors of the ſaid Lottery, proceed to drawing the ſame as ſoon as it ſhall be filled.

AND be it farther Enacted, That if any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be intitled to a Prize or Prizes in the ſaid Lottery, ſhall not demand the ſame within eight Months after drawing, it ſhall be conſtrued, deemed, and taken, that ſuch Prize and Prizes is and are *generouſly given* for the Uſe of the ſaid Court-Houſe and Library.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion : That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport,* all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, in five Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, together with Copies of the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, unto all and every of the Town Clerks in this Colony, and to the Sheriff of each reſpective County : And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the third Monday of *Auguſt* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the eighteenth Day of June, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined. WITNESS *Tho Ward Secry*

Auguſt, 1759.

At the General Aſſembly of the

GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the Engliſh Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* & *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*, Begun and Holden by Adjournment, at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on Monday the Twentieth of *Auguſt*, in the Year of our LORD One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty-nine, and Thirty-third of the Reign of His moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Second, by the Grace of *GOD*, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT.

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Governor.

The Honorable JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy-Governor.

Aſſiſtants.
- JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
- NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
- JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
- NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
- WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
- JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
- JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
- FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
- HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;

The SECRETARY.

Deputies of the ſeveral Towns.

The Honorable JOSHUA BABCOCK, Eſq; SPEAKER.

NEWPORT.
Mr. *John Jepſon*,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*.
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE.
Mr. *John Baſs*,
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;

PORTSMOUTH.
Mr. *John Shearman*, Jun'r.
Capt. *John Shrieve*, Jun'r.

WARWICK.
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Arnold*,
Lieut. Col. *James Arnold*,
John Warner, Jun'r Eſq;

WESTERLY.
The SPEAKER.
Col. *Joſeph Pendleton*.

NEW-SHOREHAM.
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN.
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
Capt. *Daniel Fones*.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN.
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, Jun'r.
Latham Clarke, Eſq;

EAST-GREENWICH.
Major *John Arnold*,
Capt. *John Gifford*.

JAMESTOWN.
Mr. *William Martin*,
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*.

SMITHFIELD.
Mr. *John Sayles*, Jun'r.
Mr. *Joſeph Mowrey*, Jun'r.

SCITUATE.
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;

GLOCESTER.
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*,
Capt. *Rufus Smith*.

CHARLESTOWN.
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*.

WEST-GREENWICH.
Capt. *Charles Carr*,
Mr. *Chriſtopher Hall*,

COVENTRY.
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*.

EXETER.
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Benoni Hall, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN.
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, Jun'r.
Mr. *James Barker*, Jun'r.

BRISTOL.
Joſeph Ruſſell, Eſq;
Mr. *Simon Davis*.

TIVERTON.
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;

LITTLE-COMPTON.
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmonds*.

WARREN.
Major *Joſiah Humphrey*.

CUMBERLAND.
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;

RICHMOND.
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;

CRANSTON.
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

HOPKINTON.
Major *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edmond Wells*, Jun'r.

JOHNSTON.
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower-Houſe.

Auguſt, 1759.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Honyman*, *Jonathan Randal*, *Peter Bours*, *Job Randal*, *Immanuel Northup*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby, conſtituted a Committee, to examine all the *Mortgages* in the Grand Committee's Office, and ſelect each and every of them, whoſe *Tenth Bonds* have been put in Suit, and the Writs returned *Non eſt*: And that all ſuch *Mortgages* be immediately ſued out in the reſpective Counties; thoſe excepted which the ſaid Committee ſhall have good Reaſon to ſtop, if any ſuch there be: And that the ſaid Committee likewiſe ſelect all the *Mortgages* for which no *Tenth Bonds* can be found; and that ſuch of them be forthwith put in Suit, as the ſaid Committee ſhall think proper. And farther that the ſaid Committee examine all the *Intereſt-Bonds* in the Hands of the General-Treaſurer, which have been put in Suit, and the Writs returned *Non eſt*; and that ſuch of the ſaid *Mortgages* unto which ſaid *Bonds* belong, as the Committee may think proper, be forthwith ſued out by the Keeper of the Grand-Committee's Office.

WHAT follows is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame; "We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee at the General Aſſembly "held in *Auguſt* laſt, to examine the Accounts of *Joſiah Arnold*, Eſq; ariſing "on the Light-Houſe againſt the Colony, *&c.* do report, That we have "carefully examined the Books of the Naval-Officer reſpecting that Affair, "and find a Ballance due to the ſaid *Joſiah Arnold* of *Thirty-eight Pounds* "*twelve Shillings and ſix Pence* Sterling; the ſame being due the Seventeenth "Day of *November* 1758; and for which we have given him an Order upon "the General Treaſurer, £. 38 12 *s.* 6*d.* "*Joſeph Clarke*

"*Jameſtown*, *Feb.* 5. 1759. "*William Haſzard*.

Unto which Report the ſaid Committee added an Account of *Three Pounds* for their Time and Trouble in performing the Service mentioned in their Report: Which being taken into Conſideration; *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted; and that the ſaid Sum of *Three Pounds* be allowed and paid the aforeſaid *Joſeph Clarke* and *William Haſzard* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; and Capt. *William Haſzard*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the *Naval-Officer* from the Time of the laſt Settlement; and ſtating a proper Account, preſent the ſame, with a Report, unto the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as may be: And that the ſame Committee examine at the *Collector*'s Office, whether any Veſſels are cleared out there, without Payment of the Duty for maintaining the *Light-Houſe*; and that in doing the ſame, they compare the Books of the *Collector* with thoſe of the Naval-Officer.

WHEREAS Lieut. Col. *James Arnold*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for Timber, Plank, Iron-Work and Stones, Labor done, *and ſo forth*, in repairing the Bridge at *Patuxet-Falls*: And the ſaid Account being duely examined; *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that *Five Hundred and forty-ſeven Pounds nine Shillings and ſix Pence*, the Amount of it, be paid to the ſaid *James Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Champlin* be, and he is hereby appointed to repair *Paucatuck* Bridge at the Charge of the Colony.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *William Read*, be and he is hereby appointed and authorized to take ſome of the Lead now in the Colony-Houſe in *New-Port*, and therewith cover the Walk round the *Light-Houſe* at *Beaver Tail*; that he ſell the Remainder for the moſt it will fetch, and lodge the Money in the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſi'rs. *Godfrey Malbone*, Jun'r and *John Malbone*, both of *Newport*, in the Colony aforeſaid, Merchants in Company, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That juſt before the Commencement of the preſent War they had ſundry Dealings with Mr. *Matiſen*, a French Merchant, then living in *Hiſpaniola*; that at the breaking out of the War he had in hisHands of their abſolute Property about *Twenty Thouſand* Livres, which they have not been able to get, and thereby have ſuffered great Damage in their Buſineſs: Wherefore they humbly prayed forLiberty to ſend a Veſſel, properly commiſſionated by his Honor the Governor, unto the Iſland of *Cayenne*, in the *Weſt-Indies*, with a Flag of Truce, *and ſo forth*.

And due Enquiry being made into the Subject-Matter of thePetition aforeſaid, *It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Godfrey Malbone*, Jun'r and *John Malbone*, in the ſaid Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted; and that the Veſſel they ſend ſhall be under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with others that go hence to the Colonies, Ports or Harbours of the Enemy with Flags of Truce.

WHEREAS *Chriſtian Mayer* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, and Colony aforeſaid, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto thisAſſembly, That there is a conſiderable Sum of Money due unto him from a *French Gentleman*, who lives on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*: That he the ſaid *Chriſtian Mayer* is fully ſatisfied that his Debt will be paid, notwithſtanding the preſent War, if he were properly qualified to proceed thither: And that *Peleg Thurſton* of *Newport* aforeſaid, Merchant, knowing the Petitioner ſtands in Need of the Money due to him as aforeſaid, will furniſh him with a Veſſel for the Purpoſe: Whereupon the ſaid *Chriſtian* prayed to have ſuch a Commiſſion as is granted thoſe that go hence withFlags of Truce unto theEnemy's Country, Territories or Dominions.

And the Matter being duly enquired into and conſidered, *It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and the Authority thereof*, That the Prayer aforeſaid be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided*, That the Veſſel be under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with others that proceed to any Port or Harbour of the Enemy with Flags of Truce.

WHEREAS *Samuel Angel*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1757, when he had the Honor to command the Troops of this Colony; he did, by the Advice of the Committee of War, agree and contract with a Sutler, to ſupply the Troops with Neceſſaries; for which he was obligated to ſaid Sutler in *New-York* Currency: And that he the Petitioner did ſupply the Troops with ſundry neceſſary Cloathing, ſuch as the Colony had not provided for them; which was charged to them in *New-York* Currency; and together with the Sutler's Account amounted to *One-Thouſand, thirty five Pounds, twelve Shillings* and *five Pence Half-Penny*, *New-York* Currency; for which the proper Stoppages have been made: That he the Petitioner on his Arrival in this Colony after the breaking up of the Campaign applied to the Committee of War for Directions, how to ſettle the Exchange between *New-York* Currency, and that of this Colony; which by their Direction was fixed, by allowing a *Spaniſh mill'd Dollar* to be worth *five Pounds, fifteen Shillings, old Tenor*, of our Currency; That he the Petitioner did not receive, neither could he get any part of his Money before *Auguſt*, 1758, when Dollars were not, and have not ſince been to be purchaſed for leſs than *ſix Pounds*: By Means whereof he the ſaid *SamuelAngel* hath loſt the Value of *Five Shillings* on every Dollar; and thereupon prayed to be refunded out of the General Treaſury.

And

And the Subject-Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, being duly enquired into, *It is Voted, and Reſolved*, That the Prayer therein contained be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and that the Sum of *Six hundred and forty-ſeven Pounds, five Shillings old Tenor* be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Samuel Angel* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS it appears unto this Aſſembly that *Daniel Wall*, Eſq; who was choſen Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment, by this Government raiſed for the Campaign of the current Year againſt his Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*, hath not joined the Regiment, but wholly neglected his Duty :— Wherefore it is *Voted* and *Reſolved*, *That he the ſaid* Daniel Wall *be, and hereby is diſmiſſed from his aforeſaid Office, and caſhired* ; *and that his Commiſſion be and is hereby declared null and void.* And the Committee of War are hereby reſtricted from paying or allowing him any Wages or Billeting whatſoever.

WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of *Warren* in the County of *Briſtol*, living on the Eaſt-Side of the Ferry in the ſaid Town, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that *Warren* is of ſuch a Situation, that their meeting together, with the Militia on the Weſt-Side, is very diſcommodious, and attended with great Inconveniencies ; Wherefore they humbly prayed to be ſet off, and conſtituted a diſtinct Company.

On Conſideration whereof,

Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and *by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and hereby is granted ; and the Inhabitants of the ſaid Town of *Warren*, who live on the Eaſt-Side of the Ferry aforeſaid, are rendered and made a Second Company or trained Band in the ſaid Town, and ſhall have Officers choſen and appointed to command them, as in ſuch Caſes is uſual.

WHEREAS two Petitions were preferred unto this Aſſembly, one by ſeveral of the Inhabitants of *Smithfield*, and the other by a large Number of the Freemen of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Providence*, ſetting forth, That the great Bridge over *Patucket* River in the ſaid County at *Wanſoket Falls*, between the ſaid Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, is of a conſiderable Length, about three hundred and thirty four Feet, and the greater Part of it fourteen or fifteen Feet high, and in ſome Places ſeventeen ; that having been erected twenty Years or thereabouts, it is grown ſo rotten, that it is become dangerous to paſs over ; Whereupon they prayed for a Sum of Money to be drawn out of the General Treaſury to qualify them to make the neceſſary Repairs.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That, if the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland* will repair the Bridge above-mentioned, when the ſame is compleated the ſaid Towns ſhall, and are hereby authorized and impowered to receive of Col. *John Andrews* the Sum of *Six Hundred Pounds*, which he has recovered of Col. *Reſolved Waterman*, when he gets the ſame into his Hands ; which Money ſhall be appropriated, for and towards defraying the Charge of repairing the ſaid Bridge.

WHEREAS *Silas Cooke* of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, and Colony aforeſaid, Gentleman, late Commander of a certain Brigantine called the *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That, being duly commiſſioned as a private Man of War, he ſailed with and in the ſaid Brigantine on a Cruize againſt His Majeſty's Enemies ; that, while he was ſo doing, to wit, on the Twentieth Day of *April* laſt, two *French* Frigates took the Petitioner in the ſaid Brigantine, and carried him with all his Company in her, unto the Port of St. *Mark*, on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola* ; where all, beſide the Petitioner, were committed to Goal for ſome Time :

But he, at length, with his Officers and all of his Company, except about Twenty, were ſent to *Jamaica* in a Flag of Truce: That, among thoſe who were left in Goal, there were three *Indians*, one named *Solomon Coggeſhall*, another *William Lawrence*, and the third *Ichabod Ireſon*, all *Free born*, and liege Subjects of our Sovereign Lord the King, no Way ſubject to or incumbered with any Kind of Servitude or Slavery: That the ſaid *Indians* will be deprived of their natural Liberty, and made Slaves, without ſome Thing be done for their Relief: That beſides the ſaid *Indians*, there were nine *Negroes*, very valuable Slaves belonging to Gentlemen of this Colony: That he the Petitioner, knowing them to be highly eſteemed by their reſpective Maſters, did agree before he left the Place with a certain French Gentleman, to make a Purchaſe of them, that ſo their Owners may have it in their Power to redeem them, and ſo forth: Whereupon he, the ſaid *SilasCooke*, prayed to be authorized to proceed with a Flag of Truce in a proper Veſſel unto the ſaid Port of St. *Mark*, in order to procure the Liberty of the aforeſaid Three *Indians*, and redeem the *Negroes* aforeſaid.

And now, the Subject-Matter of the Petition aforeſaid being duly enquired into, and conſidered, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and, by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *Silas Cooke*, therein made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided nevertheleſs*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that the Veſſel, he the ſaid *Silas Cooke* ſhall embark in, be ſubject unto all and every theRegulations that Veſſels going with Flags of Truce are by Law ſubjected to.

AN ACT *repealing all the Laws of this Colony which reſtrict or prohibit the Native Indians that live within the ſame, from diſpoſing of their Lands.*

WHEREAS *Thomas Ninigret*, of *Charleſtown* in the County of *King's-County*, and Colony aforeſaid, Gentleman, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That, having been unhappily engaged in ſeveral Law-Suits, in Defence of his Right, he hath been obliged to advance large Sums of Money; which, with other neceſſary Expences he was put to for Cloathing, Board, *and ſo forth*, during his Minority, hath greatly involved him in Debt: And as the Laws of the Colony now ſtand, he cannot, in the Apprehenſion of ſome, ſell or diſpoſe of his Eſtate for the Payment and diſcharge of his Debts: Wherefore he the ſaid *Thomas Ninigret* prayed, That the Law which relates to the purchaſing Lands of Indians may be repealed, and he have the ſame Liberty of ſelling and diſpoſing of his Eſtate, or any Part thereof, as others of His Majeſty's Subjects enjoy.

On Conſideration whereof,

Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is enacted, That all and every of the Laws at any Time made and paſſed in this Colony to reſtrict or prohibit the *Native Indians*, that live within the ſame, from ſelling and diſpoſing of their Eſtates, be, and they hereby are repealed, declared and rendered Null and Void to every Intent and Purpoſe whatſoever.

AN ACT *granting* Aaron Salisbury *an* annual Penſion.

WHEREAS *Aaron Salisbury* lately one of the Soldiers raiſed in this Colony for the King's Service in an Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*, was grievouſly wounded, and thereby is become a Cripple, and render'd unable to ſupport himſelf:

Be it therefore enacted by this General Aſſembly, and *by the Authority of the ſame, It is enacted*, That there ſhall be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury unto the ſaid *Aaron Salisbury*, as *a Penſion for his Subſiſtence*, the Sum of Twenty Spaniſh mill'd Dollars yearly, and every Year, from the Day of the Date of this Act: Which Payments ſhall be made quarterly, and continue for and during the Term of his Natural Life.

WHEREAS

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WHEREAS the General Aſſembly at the Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport* on the firſt Wedneſday of *May* laſt, appointed *Othniel Gorton* and *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſq'rs; a Committee to receive of Mr. *John Walton*, jun'r, late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace in the County of *Kent*, the Seal, with all the Books of Records, Files of Papers, and every other Thing belonging to the Office of ſaid Clerk, and deliver them unto the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame. *And whereas* the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* and *Thomas Aldrich* informed this Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport* on Monday the eleventh of *June* laſt, That the aforeſaid *John Walton* refuſeth to deliver the ſaid Seal, *and ſo forth*; Whereupon it was *Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sheriff of the County aforeſaid, ſhould take with him ſufficient Aid, and, by Force, take from the ſaid late Clerk, the Seal, with all the Books of Records, Files of Papers, and every other Thing belonging to the ſaid Clerk's Office, and deliver the ſame unto the Committee aforeſaid. And the ſaid Sheriff having undertaken and performed the Buſineſs to him committed, preſented the following Report, endorſed upon the laſt mentioned Vote; "*June* 19th 1759. In Obedience to the within Vote of the Honorable the "General Aſſembly, I have taken the Records, Papers and every Thing that "I could find, belonging to the within-named *John Walton*, jun'r's Office, "as Clerk; and delivered the ſame to the Committee within-mentioned.

Stephen Arnold, Sheriff.

Unto which Report the ſaid Sheriff ſubjoined an Account of *Eight Pounds* for his Time and Trouble in performing the ſaid Service.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; and that the aforeſaid Sum of *Eight Pounds* be allowed and paid unto the ſaid *Stephen Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Stephen Arnold*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly that live in the ſaid County, to meet at *Providence* in the Month of *December* laſt; and hold that Seſſion, which was then begun and holden there.

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed; and that *Twelve Pounds*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Stephen Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Pratt*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Goal at *Briſtol*, in the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account amounting to *Thirty-five Pounds eleven Shillings*, by him charged againſt the Colony, for keeping one *John Smith* a Priſoner in ſaid Goal, being convicted of Stealing; and for providing him with Victuals, *and ſo forth*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined; *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Thirty one Pounds and eleven Shillings* thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Pratt* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all the Collectors of Rates or Taxes in this Colony ſhall receive *Lawful Money* for the laſt Rate or Tax of *Eleven Thouſand Pounds*, reckoning Intereſt thereon, from the Day of the Date of the Bill, until the laſt Day of *October* next, that being the Time for paying the ſaid Rate or Tax into the General Treaſury. And, *It is farther Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed and fully impowered, to iſſue out a Warrant of Diſtreſs againſt the Eſtate of every Collector that ſhall neglect to pay into the Treaſury by the ſaid laſt Day of *October*, the Proportion of the ſaid Rate or Tax which was committed unto him to collect; and for want of Eſtate, to commit the Body of ſuch delinquent Collector to Goal.

And

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That all Perſons whatſoever ſhall have the Liberty of paying their Proportions of the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, *in Bills of Credit of the Old Tenor, at the Rate of Eighteen and a Third for One.*

WHAT follows is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame;

" *Eaſt-Greenwich*, *Auguſt* the 22d 1759.

" WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly held at " *Newport* in *May* laſt, to receive the Books and Papers of *John Walton*, " jun'r, late Clerk of the Inferior Court for the County of *Kent*, and deliver " the ſame to the preſent Clerk, notified the ſaid Clerk *Walton* when we " ſhould attend; and alſo attended on him one Day and Part of another; but " he would not deliver ſaid Papers: Whereupon we made Application to " the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion in *June* laſt; and thereupon the " Aſſembly ordered the Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, to take ſaid Books " and Papers. and deliver the ſame to us: Which he has done. And they " were ſo intermixed, that we put them into a Cheſt, and have not over-looked " them as yet: But we find by the Book, that there are no Judgments " recorded for almoſt five Years: Therefore we deſire the Honorable General " Aſſembly would, in their Wiſdom, inſtruct us or ſome other Perſons, what " farther ſhould be done with ſaid Papers.

Othniel Gorton, *Thomas Aldrich* } Committee. "

Unto which Report was ſubjoined the following Account,

" THE Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* to ſaid Committee,	D'tr.
" To two Days and an Half each at £. 3 per Day	£. 15 0 0

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be and hereby is accepted; and that the Sum of *Fifteen Pounds* above charged be allowed and paid the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* and *Thomas Aldrich* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT *to prevent Horſes from going at large in the Town of* Newport, *and augmenting the Penalty to be incurred by ſuch as let their Horſes go at large in the Town of* Providence.

BE IT ENACTED *by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame it is Enacted*, That, from and after the Publication of this Act, no Horſe or Horſes ſhall be ſuffered to go at large in any of the Highways or Commons of the Town of *Newport*.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Horſe or Horſes, ſhall, at any Time hereafter be found going at large within the Limits of the Town of *Newport*, it ſhall and may be lawful for any Inhabitant of the ſaid Town to take up and impound ſuch Horſe or Horſes; and the Owner or Owners thereof ſhall not have or receive him, her or them again, without paying, as a Fine, into the Treaſury of the ſaid Town of *Newport*, the Sum of *Forty Shillings* for each Horſe ſo taken up and impounded, together with the Coſts and Charges of impounding and keeping ſuch Horſe or Horſes: One Half of which Fine ſhall be applied unto and for the Uſe of the ſaid Town, and the other unto the Perſon or Perſons that ſhall take up and impound the ſame: And the Pound-keeper ſhall not diſcharge any ſuch Creature until the Town-Treaſurer makes out a Certificate, that the Fine or Fines with the Charges are really and *Bona Fide* paid, agreeable to this Act.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when any Horſe or Horſes ſhall have continued in the Pound for the Space of Eight-and-Forty Hours, the Pound-keeper ſhall ſet up Notifications at three or more publick Places in the Towns of *Newport*, *Middletown* and *Portſmouth*, ſetting forth the Number and Marks of the Horſe or Horſes impounded: And, in Caſe

Caſe no Owner or Owners ſhall appear to claim and pay the Fine or Fines, and the Charges accruing upon impounding and keeping ſuch Horſe or Horſes, within twenty Days from the Day of the Date of ſuch Notifications, the Treaſurer of the ſaid Town of *Newport* ſhall cauſe ſuch Horſe or Horſes to be Sold by Publick Vendue, and out of the Money produced by ſuch Sale pay the Coſts and Charges that may have accrued upon the taking up, impounding and keeping the ſame, and ſhall put the Remainder into the Treaſury of the ſaid Town of *Newport*.

Provided nevertheleſs, and it is the true Intent and Meaning hereof, That this Act, or any Clauſe therein contained, ſhall not extend, or be conſtrued or deemed to extend, unto any Horſe or Horſes belonging to any Perſon or Perſons living without the Limits aforeſaid, that ſhall accidentally ſtray away from his, her or their Owner or Owners, Keeper or Keepers.

And it is farther Enacted, That the Penalty and Penalties accruing, in Conſequence of this Act, unto the Owner or Owners of any Horſe or Horſes, who may ſuffer the ſame to go at large in the Town of *Providence*, be augmented, and made equal in and for the ſaid Town, and be appropriated there; as is hereby ordered and directed in and for *Newport*.

WHEREAS *Ebenezer Jenckes*, Captain of one of the Companies raiſed by this Government for the laſt Year's Campaign, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*, died lately, leaving a Widow with ſeveral Children in low Circumſtances: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Ellis Jenckes*, the ſaid *Ebenezer*'s Widow, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treaſury the Sum of *Three Hundred Pounds*, as a Gratuity, for the Relief of herſelf and Children.

WHEREAS *Aaron Salisbury*, reſiding at *Cranſton*, in the County of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Providence*, on Monday the Twenty-ſixth Day of *February* laſt, That he had been in the Government's Service the three preceeding Campaigns, and had the Misfortune in the laſt to be grievouſly wounded and have his Bones diſlocated, by the over-turning of a Waggon, which fell upon him, whereby he is rendered abſolutely incapable to get a Livelihood, *and ſo forth*. Whereupon Lieut. Col. *Barzillai Richmond*, *Othniel Gorton* and *Immanuel Northop*, Eſqrs; were appointed a Committee to enquire into the Subject-Matter of the ſaid *Aaron*'s Petition, and conſider what Allowance it is proper for the Government to make him: But as the ſaid Committee have done nothing in the Affair, and Lieutenant-Colonel *Richmond* is abſent, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *John Warner*, Jun'r Eſq; be, and he hereby is appointed a Committee-man in the Room of the aforeſaid *Barzillai Richmond*; who, to wit, the ſaid *Othniel Gorton*, *Immanuel Northup*, and *John Warner*, Jun'r. are hereby authorized and directed to perform the ſaid Buſineſs, and make Report as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS Capt. *Samuel Byles* of *Cranſton*, in the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account, amounting to *Three Hundred and Eighty-one Pounds five Shillings and ſix Pence*, by him charged againſt *Aaron Saliſbury*, who being lately a Soldier in His Majeſty's Service, in the Pay of this Colony, had the Misfortune to be grievouſly wounded the laſt Campaign, his Bones being diſlocated, by the overturning of a Waggon, which fell upon him. The Articles of the ſaid Account conſiſt of Billeting the ſaid *Aaron*, and Expences in carrying him to the Governor and Committee of War, to get their Advice, what was proper to be done, for Shirts, Trowſers, and other Neceſſaries, beſides conveying him twice to a Doctor in order to get his Bones ſet, *and ſo forth*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Two Hundred and Eighty-three Pounds Eleven*

Shillings and ſix Pence, thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Samuel Byles* out of the General-Treaſury: And if it ſhall appear hereafter that the Billeting of the aforeſaid *Aaron Saliſbury*, from the Ninth Day of *May* to the Ninth Day of *June*, and from the Fifth Day of *October* to the Twenty-ninth Day of *December*, One thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty-eight, hath not been paid, that then the Remainder of the Account aforeſaid be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Samuel Byles* out of the General Treaſury.

WHAT follows is a Report of the Committee who ſigned it.

" *Newport*, *Auguſt* 18th. 1759.

" WE Report, That we have examined all the Tenth-Bonds. Accounts " and Vouchers in the Hands of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; Keeper of the " Grand-Committee's Office that are due at this Time; and find, as his Ac- " count is now ſtated, it is well vouched: Which Account we now preſent " for the Conſideration of the General Aſſembly.— The Mortgages without " Bonds, amounting to about *Fourteen Thouſand Pounds* Old Tenor, we " have not examined, ſundry of the Mortgages being out in the ſeveral " Counties in the Colony, and no Returns are come to Hand. Mr. *Nichols* " will be always ready to account to the Colony whenever called upon. — " *We farther Report*, That we have received of the ſaid *Nichols*, *Thirty-eight* " *Thouſand*, *five Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds*, *two Shillings and eight* " *Pence Old Tenor Money*, Part of the Tenths; which we have burnt, it ap- " pearing to be the Ballance of ſaid Account as now ſtated and preſented.

" *To the Honorable General Aſſembly* " *now ſitting in* Kent.

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
James Sheffield,
} Committee.

THE following contains a Copy of the Account referred to in the foregoing Report.

" Debtor

The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* Account Current with *Benjamin Nichols*.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To Caſh paid the Committee, *May* 26. 1746	1600	00	0			
To Ditto paid Ditto, *June* 11. 1747.	21241	13	0			
To Ditto paid Ditto *June* 9. 1748.	16700	00	0			
To Ditto paid Ditto *Auguſt* 15. 1749.	26722	2	10			
To Ditto paid Ditto *February* 22. 1749.	12922	18	7			
To Ditto paid Ditto *February* 28. 1750.	19502	00	0			
To Ditto paid Ditto *April* 22. 1752.	27445	8	7			
To Ditto paid Ditto *Auguſt* 18. 1753.	20088	00	0			
				£. 146222	3	0
To Ditto paid Ditto *March* 6. 1758.	120550	16	11½			
To Ditto paid Ditto *June* 8. 1759.	11834	3	10			
				£. 132385	0	9½
To the Ballance of *George Brown*'s Account for Colony-Bonds, for which I have got Judgment againſt *Samuel Currie* and *Benjamin Cozzens* of *Providence*.	19175	9	7			
To Colony-Bonds in the Hands of Mr. *Nicholas Brown* of *Providence*.	736	2	0			
To the Judgments of Court that remain unſatisfied for Colony-Bonds in the County of *Providence*.	3025	17	5			
				£. 22937	9	0

To

To Colony-Bonds in the Hands of *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſq; of *Eaſt-Greenwich.*	87	10	13	2½
To Colony-Bonds in the Hands of Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, Jun. of *South Kingſton.*	6964	15	5	5½
To the Judgments of Court that remain unſatisfied for Colony-Bonds in the County of *King's-County.*	2950	15	3	
			£. 18626	3 11
To the *Non eſt* Bonds and others in the Office to and for the Year 1758, ſhewn to the Committee.	41869	9	4	
To the Judgments of Court that remain unſatisfied for Colony-Bonds in the County of *Newport.*	2495	1	7½	
			£. 44364	10 11½
To Caſh paid the Committee in full to ballance this Account, as per Receipt *Auguſt* 1759.			£. 26760	18 10
			£. 391296	6 6

Creditor.

	£.	s.	d.	
By Caſh *February* 1745,	1600	0	0	
By Ditto *June* 1747,	6239	2	6	
By Bonds in the Three Bank	22394	17	3	
By Ditto in the Four Ditto	36648	8	0	
By Ditto without Deeds	2383	19	7	
By Bonds received of Col. *Updike*	12029	12	0	
			£. 81295	19 4
By the whole Amount of the Five Bank per emitting Act	100000	0	0	
By Nine Payments of the Six Bank	90000	0	0	
By Seven Payments of the Seven Ditto	56000	0	0	
By Four Payments of the Eight Ditto	64000	0	0	
			£. 310000	0 0
			£. 391295	19 4

Newport, *Auguſt* 17th. 1759.

Errors Excepted, per

Benja. Nichols."

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly examined and conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby are, accepted, *that is to ſay*, ſo far as they reſpect the Colony's Money that was received by the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols*, and by him delivered unto the Committee to be burnt.

WHEREAS *Iſaac Hart* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, and Colony aforeſaid, Merchant, preferred a Petition, in Behalf of himſelf and others, Owners of a certain Brigantine called the *Eliſabeth*, whereof *William Freeborn* was late Maſter, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that *Thomas Rodman* of *Newport* aforeſaid, was, ſome Time ago, authorized by his Honor the Governor to proceed from the ſaid *Newport*, with a Flag of Truce into the *French Weſt Indies*: That, while he the ſaid *Thomas Rodman* was at *Port au Prince*, on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, he purchaſed the Brigantine aforeſaid

for the Petitioner and his Partners, and was bringing the ſame to *Rhode-Iſland*, in Company with the Veſſel he had under his own Command: That in their intended Voyage, both Veſſels were taken and carried into *Philadelphia*, by a Privateer of that Port: Where, upon a full Hearing, they were acquitted, by a Decree of the Court of Vice-Admiralty. After which the Collector, there, ſeized the ſaid Brig, under Pretence that ſhe wanted the Papers neceſſary to prove her to be the Property of Engliſh Subjects: And the Judge of the Court aforeſaid, conſidering the great Injury that was attempted to be done the Owners of the ſaid Brigantine, allowed them eight Months to prove their Property. — That he, the Petitioner, perceiving the ſaid Brigantine to be *Engliſh built*, ſent to *England* immediately, in order to procure the neceſſary Proofs: But, as Capt. *Rodman* did not bring a Copy of the Condemnation, he the Petitioner could not ſend ſuch a particular Account to his Friend as was ſufficient to enable him to get the ſaid Proofs: And thereupon the ſaid *Iſaac Hart*, in Behalf of himſelf and others concerned, prayed that the aforeſaid *Thomas Rodman* might be authorized, by a Commiſſion from his Honor the Governor, to proceed with a Flag of Truce, in ſome proper Veſſel, unto *Port au Prince* aforeſaid, to get the Papers neceſſary to prove that the Brigantine aforeſaid was Engliſh Property at the Time of Capture.

On Conſideration whereof, and due Enquiry into the Subject-Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *Iſaac Hart*, therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Nevertheleſs*, the Veſſel in which the aforeſaid *Thomas Rodman* proceeds, ſhall be, and hereby is, laid under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with other Veſſels, proceeding from this Colony unto any Part of the *French* King's Dominions, with a Flag of Truce.

BOTH HOUSES being reſolved into a Grand Committee choſe the following Officers, *to wit.*

Mr. JOSEPH SHERWOOD, Attorney at Law in *Auſtin-Fryers* near the *Royal-Exchange* in LONDON, Agent for this Colony at the Court of *Great-Britain.*

His Honor the DEPUTY-GOVERNOR, *Daniel Jenckes*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, *Robert Potter*, *NathanRice*, *Abraham Smith*, *Nicholas Gardner*, and *Thomas Greene*, Eſqrs; The Committee of War.

Joſeph Caſe, Eſq; a Juſtice of thePeace for the Town of *North-Kingſtown*, in the Room of *Chriſtopher Spencer*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Philip Greene, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Weſt-Greenwich.*

Thomas Owen, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Johnſton*; in the Room of *John Waterman*, Eſq; who refuſed.

William Mumford, Captain, and *John Beard*, Lieutenant, of the Fort.

Benjamin Sherburn, Captain; *Henry Sowle*, Lieutenant; *Peter Mumford*, Cornet; and *Iſaac Dayton*, Quarter-Maſter; of the Firſt Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport.*

Thomas Church, Captain; *Aaron Wilbore*, Lieutenant; *Job Almy*, (Son of *Samuel*) Cornet; and *Perez Richmond*, Quarter-Maſter; of the Second Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport.*

Benjamin Bowen, Captain; *John Fenner*, Firſt-Lieutenant; *James Hoil*, Second Lieutenant; and *Joſeph Naſh*, Cornet; of the Troop of Horſe in the County of *Providence.*

OFFICERS

Auguſt, 1759.

OFFICERS to command the reſpective Companies or Trained-Bands in this Colony.

NEWPORT. 1ſt. *Caleb Gardner*, jun'r, Captain; *Charles Spooner*, Lieutenant; and *John Gardner*, (Son of *William*,) Enſign.

2d. *Joſeph Belcher*, Captain; *Thomas Richardſon*, jun'r, Lieutenant; and *Ebenezer Davenport*, jun'r. Enſign.

3d. *James Rogers*, Captain; *Timothy Balch*, Lieutenant; and *Edward Simmons*, Enſign.

4th. *JabezChamplin*, Captain; *TimothyIngraham*, Lieutenant; and *Joſeph Howland*, Enſign.

PROVIDENCE. 1ſt. *Stephen Rawſon*, Captain; *KnightDexter*, Lieutenant: and *Bernard Eddy*, Enſign.

2d. *Thomas Whipple*, jun'r, Captain; *Benjamin Whipple*, jun'r. Lieutenant; and *William Brown*, Enſign.

3d. *StephenJenckes*, Captain; *JamesOlney*, (Son of *Joſeph*) Lieutenant; and *Ephraim Wheaton*, Enſign.

PORTSMOUTH. 1ſt. *Benjamin Hall*, Captain; *Caleb Siſſon*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Cooke*, Enſign.

2d. *JoſhuaAllen*, Captain; *Jonathan Slocum*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Allen*, Enſign.

WARWICK. 1ſt. *John Waterman*, Captain; *William Warner*, jun'r. Lieutenant; and *John Lippitt*, Enſign.

2d. *ElißhaWeaver*, Captain; *Nathaniel Miller*, Lieutenant; and *Job Arnold*, Enſign.

3d. *William Potter*, Captain; *Thomas Greene*, (Son of *Fones*,) Lieutenant; and *Stukely Stafford*, Enſign.

WESTERLY. 1ſt. *Abraham Lewis*, Captain; *Matthew Maxſon*, Lieutenant; and *Joſeph Lewis*, jun'r. Enſign.

2d. *James Bliven*, Captain; *Thomas Roſs*, Lieutenant; and *William Scrivens*, Enſign.

NEW-SHOREHAM. *George Gardner*, Captain; *John Pain*, Lieutenant; and *Carder Haſzard*, Enſign.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN. 1ſt. *Edward Dyre*, jun'r, Captain; *Richard Card*, Lieutenant; and *Zorobabel Weſtcot*, Enſign.

2d. *Jeremiah Northup*, Captain; *William Northup*, Lieutenant; and *John Sweet*, (Son of *Benjamin*,) Enſign.

3d. *Sylveſter Hyams*, Captain; *George Fowler*, jun'r, Lieutenant; and *Stephen Northup*, jun'r. Enſign.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN. 1ſt. *Charles Hull*, Captain; *Jonathan Babcock*, (Son of *David*,) Lieutenant; and *Jonathan Card*, Enſign.

2d. *Daniel Shearman*, jun'r. Captain; *Jonathan Babcock*, (Son of *John*) Lieutenant; and *Clarke Gardner*, Enſign.

EAST-GREENWICH. 1ſt. *Caleb Sheffield*, Captain; *Henry Tibbits*, jun'r. Lieutenant; and *Silas Caſey*, Enſign.

2d. *John Andrews*, Captain; *Richard Matteſon*, Lieutenant; and *Samuel Sweet*, Enſign.

JAMESTOWN. *Samuel Slocum*, Captain; *Thomas Bentley*, Lieutenant; and *Benjamin Sheffield*, jun'r, Enſign.

SMITHFIELD. 1ſt. *Chriſtopher Brown*, Captain; *John Wilkinſon*, jun'r, Lieutenant; and *Nathaniel Mowrey*, Enſign.

2d. *Stephen Arnold*, Captain; *Oliver Man*, Lieutenant; and *Arnold Pain*, Enſign.

3d. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun'r, Captain; *Chriſtopher Angel* Lieutenant; and *Noah Smith*, Enſign.

SCITUATE. 1ſt. *Nicholas Edwards*, Captain; *Ezekiel Phillips*, Lieutenant; and *Robert Potter*, Enſign.

2d. *John Herrenden*, Captain; *Thomas Bennet*, jun'r, Lieutenant; and *Nathaniel Herrenden*, Enſign.

3d. *Benjamin Slack*, Captain; *Bernard Hale*, Lieutenant; and *James Wheeler*, Enſign.

4th. *Hezekiah Walker*, Captain; *Joſeph Weatherhead*, Lieutenant; and *John Round*, Enſign.

GLOCESTER. 1ſt. *Chad. Brown*, Captain; *William Hawkins*, Lieutenant; and *Richard Eddy*, Enſign.

2d. *Noah Arnold*, Captain; *Eleazer Ballon*, Lieutenant; and *William Phillips*, Enſign.

3d. *Abraham Waterman*, Captain; *Benjamin Barrett*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Collins*, Enſign.

CHARLESTOWN. *Job Taylor*, Captain; *Joſhua Card*, Lieutenant; and *Tobias Saunders*, Enſign.

WEST-GREENWICH. 1ſt. *Job Spencer*, Captain; *Jonathan Hopkins*, Lieutenant; and *Robert Carr*, Enſign.

2d. *Shibna Spink*, Captain; *Amos Mattaſon*, Lieutenant; and *George Dyre*, Enſign.

3d. *Simeon Draper*, Captain; *Jedediah Aylſworth*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Tillinghaſt*, Enſign.

COVENTRY. 1ſt. *Joab Stafford*, Captain; *Joſeph Johnſon*, Lieutenant; and *Eliſha Johnſon*, Enſign.

2d. *Iſrael Bowen*, Captain; *Thomas Parker*, Lieutenant; and *Samuel Greene*, Enſign.

EXETER. 1ſt. *Benjamin Weight*, Captain; *Job Babcock*, Lieutenant; and *William Gardner*, Enſign.

2d. *William Hiams*, Captain; *Nathaniel Barber*, Lieutenant; and *John Lewis*, Enſign.

MIDDLETOWN. *Joſhua Coggeſhall* (Son of *James*) Captain; *JonathanWeeden*, Lieutenant; and *Silas Peckham*, Enſign.

BRISTOL.

BRISTOL. *Joſeph Reynolds*, Captain; *John Wardwell*, Lieutenant; and *Nathaniel Carey*, Enſign.

TIVERTON. 1ſt. *Thomas Gray*, jun'r. Captain; *William Sanford*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Corey*, Enſign.

2d. *Oliver Cooke*, Captain; *Stephen Tallman*, Lieutenant; and *William Durfee*, (Son of *Samuel*,) Enſign.

LITTLE-COMPTON. *David Hillyard*, Captain; *Thomas Burgis*, Lieutenant; and *Henry Wood*, Enſign.

WARREN. 1ſt. *Thomas Cole*, Captain; *Benjamin Cole*, Lieutenant; and *John Kelly*, jun'r. Enſign.

2d. *Samuel Allen*, Captain; *James Bowen*, Lieutenant; and *John Low*, Enſign.

CUMBERLAND. 1ſt. *Nathaniel Whipple*, Captain; *Benjamin Tower*, Lieutenant; and *John Grant*, Enſign.

2d. *Gideon Tower*, Captain; *Ariel Ballon*, Lieutenant; and *Daniel Whipple*, jun'r. Enſign.

RICHMOND. *Nicholas Larkin*, Captain; *Barnet Siſſon*, Lieutenant; and *John Thomas*, Enſign.

CRANSTON. 1ſt. *Richard Searle*, jun'r. Captain; *William Carpenter*, jun'r. Lieutenant; and *Zephaniah Randal*, Enſign.

2d. *William Fenner*, Captain; *Peleg Arnold*, Lieutenant; and *Nathaniel Sprague*, Enſign.

3d. *Peter Burlingham*, (the third,) Captain; *Philip Burlingham*, Lieutenant; and *William Knight*, jun'r. Enſign.

HOPKINTON. 1ſt. *John McCoon*, Captain; *Elias Lewis*, Lieutenant; and *Caleb Wells*, Enſign.

2d. *Edward Wells*, jun'r. Captain; *Lawton Palmer*, Lieutenant; and *Benjamin Randal*, jun'r. Enſign.

JOHNSTON. *John Waterman*, jun'r. Captain; *Arthur Fenner*, jun'r, Lieutenant; and *John Brown*, Enſign.

Benjamin Tayer, Adjutant of the Regiment in the County of *Newport*.

WHEREAS *Daniel Wall* who was *Major* of the Regiment raiſed by this Colony, for the Campaign of the laſt Year, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*, and *Nathanael Bowdich*, an Enſign of one of the Companies in the ſaid Regiment, reſigned their Commiſſions in the *Camp*, before the breaking up of the ſame, and nevertheleſs demand Pay from the Time of their ſaid Reſignation until the Day on which all the Officers of the Regiment aforeſaid were diſcharged; which Demand being evidently unreaſonable, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That no Wages be paid unto either of the Officers above-named for any Time after the Reſignation of their Commiſſions.

WHEREAS *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; one of the Committee of War, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he purchaſed, laſt Winter, a Parcel of Shoes, in order to ſupply ſuch of the Troops in the Government's Service, as were under his ſpecial Care; and that after he had ſo done, the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Providence* on Monday the Twenty-ſixth of *February* laſt, made and paſſed an Act directing the

Committee of War *to ſend ſome particular Sorts of Cloathing to* Albany, *and no other*: That by the ſaid Act, it ſeems, Shoes were excluded; whereupon the ſaid *Nathan Rice* ſent .s ſaid Shoes to *Albany* for Sale: But the Maſter of the Veſſel, that carried them, underſtanding that it was very probable they would be wanted by the Government's Troops, left them with Capt. *Douw*, the Colony's Agent, in thoſe Parts: That the ſaid *Douw*, afterwards, overhaling the Stock of Shoes, belonging to this Colony, in his Hands, found that thoſe of the Petitioner would be wanted, and retained them accordingly. And the Caſe being thus circumſtanced, he the ſaid *Nathan* prayed this Aſſembly to direct whether he might be allowed to charge his Shoes to the Colony's Account or not. Unto which Petition was added as follows:

		Dtr		
" Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*,				
" To 147 Pair of Shoes, at	£. 6	£. 882	0	0
" To one Caſk for the Shoes,		5	0	0
" To Freight of Ditto,		6	0	0
Errors excepted, per *Nathan Rice.* "		£. 893	0	0

In Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the aforeſaid *Nathan Rice* be, and he is hereby allowed, to charge the above Articles to the Colony: Yet, when his Accounts come to be ſettled, he ſhall produce proper Vouchers for the ſame.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Jenckes*, *John Warner*, Jun'r, and *Thomas Owen*, Eſqrs; be, and they hereby are, conſtituted a Committee, to examine the Accounts which *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence* hath open with the Colony, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Peter Bours* and *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſqrs; together with the Attorney-General, be and are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare ſome Inſtructions for his Honor the Governor, with regard to commiſſionating, impowering, and what elſe is neceſſary to be done reſpecting the Agent appointed by this General Aſſembly to repreſent the Colony at the Court of *Great-Britain*.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Deputies of the ſeveral Towns, who were appointed to collect the Accounts of Charges, brought againſt the Colony, for the Soldiers raiſed in their reſpective Towns, on Account of the Expedition in *Auguſt* One thouſand ſeven Hundred and fifty-ſeven, to examine the ſaid Accounts, and draw Orders upon the General Treaſurer, *and ſo forth*, preſent their Accounts, for the Trouble and Charges they were at, on that Occaſion, unto their reſpective Town Councils; who are hereby directed and impowered to examine the ſaid Accounts, and draw Orders upon the reſpective Town-Treaſurers for what ſhall appear to be juſtly due to the ſaid Deputies.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Seal, Records, Files of Papers and every Thing elſe, belonging to the Office of the Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace in the County of *Kent*, which were taken from the late Clerk by the Sheriff, and delivered to *Othniel Gorton* and *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſquires, a Committee appointed for the Purpoſe, be, by them, delivered unto *Daniel Howland*, Eſq; the preſent Clerk, who is hereby appointed, with the Aſſiſtance of the aforeſaid *Othniel Gorton*, to digeſt the ſaid Files, Papers, *and ſo forth*, and put them in the beſt Order they can, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

Auguſt, 1759.

AN ACT *repealing Part of an Act made and paſſed in* October, One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and forty-ſeven.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *South-Kingſtown*, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, in the Twenty-firſt Year of His Majeſty's Reign, made and paſſed, "An Act for "printing all the public Laws and Acts that ſhould be thereafter made and "paſſed by the General Aſſembly"; and thereby the Secretary is obliged to employ the Printer, reſiding or dwelling in the Town of *Newport*, to perform that Service: Which is found, by Experience, to be very inconvenient;

Wherefore, *BE it enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That ſo much of the Act aforeſaid, as relates to the Secretary's employing a Printer that reſides or dwelleth in the Town of *Newport*, be and hereby is repealed: And that the Secretary be and hereby is authorized to employ, *for the future*, the Printer in this or any other of the Colonies; as he ſhall find moſt conducive to the *Public Good*.

WHEREAS *William Sweet* and *Abner Spencer* exhibited an Account by them charged againſt the Colony for their Attendance, as Waiters, on this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed; and that *Twenty four Pounds*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Sweet* and *Abner Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *William Spencer*, Town-Serjeant of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, exhibited an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his attending, as a Waiter, on this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed; and that *Nine Pounds*, the Amount thereof be paid the ſaid *William Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs, lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, unto the ſeveral Officers; who, by the Laws of this Colony, are appointed to receive and take Charge of them: And that this Aſſembly be and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *October* next, if called by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy-Governor: But if not before nor at that Time, that then this Aſſembly ſhall be diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order the Third *Day of* September *One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and fifty-nine, by*

Tho's Ward, Secr'y.

A true Copy duly examined,
Witneſs, *Tho's Ward Secry*

Printed at BOSTON, NEW-ENGLAND, by RICHARD DRAPER, in *Newbury-Street*.

October 1759.

At the General Aſſembly of the

GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and *Providence* Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*, begun and holden at *South-Kingſton*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, and Thirty-third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT

The Honourable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Governor.

The Honourable JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
JABEZ BROWN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOK, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.
} Aſſiſtants.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Jepſon*,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE.
Mr. *Joſeph Turpin*,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Gideon Comſtock, Eſq:

Portſmouth
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
William Earl Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.

Warwick;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Mr. *James Rhodes*,
Mr. *Thomas Wickes*,
Major *Henry Rice*.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.

New-Shorcham: NONE.

North-Kingſtown;
Col *Immanuel Northup*,
Capt. *Daniel Fones*.

South-Kingſtown;
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Haſzard*.

Eaſt-

East-Greenwich :
Major *John Arnold*,
Capt. *John Gifford*.
Jamestown ;
Mr. *John Eldred*,
Mr. *Josiah Arnold*, jun.
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Esq;
Mr. *Joseph Mowrey*, jun.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Esq;
Jeremiah Angel, Esq;
Glouceſter ;
Mr. *Silas Williams*,
Mr. *Oliver Arnold*.
Charleſtown ;
Gideon Hoxſie, Esq;
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie*.
Weſt-Greenwich ;
NONE.
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Esq;
Mr. *Thomas Stafford*, jun.
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Job Tripp, Esq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *John Clark*.

Briſtol ;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Esq;
Mr. *Simon Davis*.
Tiverton ;
Philip Tabor, Esq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Esq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons*.
Warren ;
Ebenezer Cole, Esq;
Major *Joſhua Humphry*.
Cumberland ;
Job Bartlet, Esq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Esq;
Richmond ;
Joſeph Clarke, Esq;
Edward Perry, Esq;
Cranſton ;
Capt. *Edward Arnold*,
Lieut. Col. *John Potter*.
Hopkinton ;
Capt. *John McCoon*,
Mr. *Roger White*.
Johnſton ;
Thomas Owen, Esq;
John Waterman, Esq;

Job Randal, Esq; was choſen Speaker ; and Josias Lyndon, Esq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *Peleg Thurſton* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, and Colony aforeſaid, Merchant, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly ; that, at the Time the preſent War broke out between *Great-Britain* and *France*, he had the Sum of Ten Thouſand Livres due to him from *Paul Augraud*, a Subject of His *Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty*, living at *Port au Prince* on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola, in the Weſt-Indies* : That at the ſame Time he had alſo upwards of one Hundred Hogſheads of Melaſſes, in the Hands of the ſaid *Augraud*. The which Money and Melaſſes the War hath hitherto prevented the Petitioner's obtaining : That he hath been inform'd the ſaid *Augraud* is in very flouriſhing Circumſtances, and would, very probably, remit the Money and Melaſſes, if the ſame were ſent for. Wherefore he, the ſaid *Peleg*, prayed that he might be qualified to ſend a Veſſel, with a Flag of Truce, unto *Port au Prince* aforeſaid, in order to receive the Money and Melaſſes aforeſaid.

And due Enquiry being made into the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *IT IS ENACTED, by the General Aſſembly and the Authority thereof*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Peleg Thurſton* therein made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided nevertheleſs* ; and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that the Veſſel to be ſent, ſhall be, and hereby is laid under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with other Veſſels going from this Colony, with a Flag of Truce, unto any Part of the Dominions of the *French King*.

Whereas

Whereas *Benjamin Nichols* of *Newport*, in the County or and Colony aforeſaid, Eſq: Executor of the laſt Will and Teſtament of his Brother *Jonathan Nichols*, late of the ſaid *Newport*, Eſq; deceaſed, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that, notwithſtanding all his Care and Diligence, in collecting the Debts, that were due unto the ſaid *Jonathan*, hisEſtate falls vaſtly ſhort, and proves inſufficient to pay what he juſtly owed. And as there is a conſiderable Sum of Money due to the ſaid Eſtate, by Bond, from *Lawrence Coelet*, a Subject of *His Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty*, now living in the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*; who, the Petitioner doubts not, would pay the ſame, if it were ſent for. He the ſaid Executor therefore prayed to be qualified to ſend a Veſſel, with a Flag of Truce, unto the ſaid Iſland, in order to receive the ſaid Money. And as ſome Part of it appertained unto *Robert Hazard*, late of *South-Kingſton* aforeſaid, Eſq; deceas'd, his Executor *Joſeph Hazard* of the ſaid *South-Kingſton*, Eſq; prayed, that he might be authoriſed to join with the above-named *Benjamin Nichols*, and be intereſted in Proportion to the Sum due unto him, in his aforeſaid Capacity.

And, a Copy of the Bond above-mentioned being exhibited, with the ſaid Petition, unto this Aſſembly, and due Enquiry made into the ſubject Matter thereof, *IT IS ENACTED*, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *Benjamin Nichols* and *Joſeph Hazard* therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided nevertheleſs*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that the Veſſel, to be ſent, ſhall be, and hereby is laid under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with other Veſſels going from this Colony, with a Flag of Truce, unto any Part of the Dominions of the *French King*.

Whereas the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion begun and holden at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, on Monday the Twentieth of *Auguſt* laſt, choſe and appointed Mr. *Joſeph Sherwood* Attorney at Law, in *Auſtin Fryers near the Royal-Exchange in London*, to be Agent for this Colony at the Court of *Great-Britain*. In Conſequence whereof His Honour the Governor hath prepared a Draught or Form of a Power of Attorney and Agency, to authoriſe him the ſaid *Joſeph Sherwood*, to appear for, and in the Name and Behalf of this Colony, do, act, tranſact and finiſh all and every Suit and Buſineſs at the ſaid Court, and before the Parliament, *and ſo forth*. And the ſaid Form or Draught being exhibited unto this Aſſembly, read and duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is approved and allowed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Hanyman*, *Nicholas Cooke* and *Joſeph Babcock*, Eſqrs, be, and they hereby are conſtituted aCommittee to prepare and lay before this Aſſembly an Eſtimate of ſuch Sums of Money as may be neceſſary for paying off the Troops of this Colony, at their Return from the Campaign, and all other Charges of the Government that ought to be paid before the next Sitting of the Aſſembly: And that ſo many of the Committee of War as are now preſent, wait upon the Committee hereby appointed, and give them ſuch Information in this Matter as they are able.

Whereas *Daniel Jenckes*, *Thomas Owen* and *John Warner*, Jun. Eſqrs, were appointed a Committee to examine the Accounts of *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, with the Government. And the Gentlemen having undertaken and perform'd the Service to them committed, preſented what follows:

1755. Dr.—*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* David Wilkinſon, *His Account Current with ſaid Colony.*

January 1, ending in *May* 1757. } TO *David Wilkinſon*'s Account for ſmall Charges that are contained in four Pages that amounts to (as per Bill examined.) £. 1880 13 3

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May 1756.	To Caſh paid *Job Randal*, Eſq; as per Order of Court. - - - -	£.	200	0 0
	To Ditto paid *John Aplin*; as per Order of Court.		300	0 0
	To Ditto paid *John Andrew*; as per Order of Ditto.		132	13 4
	To Ditto paid *Hannah Brown*; as per Ditto. -		32	1 0
	To Ditto paid *Samuel Knight*; as per Ditto. -		26	13 4
	To Ditto paid *John Philips*; as per Ditto. -		63	15 0
	To Ditto paid *Jeremiah Inman*; as per Ditto.		8	8 4
	To Ditto paid *Timothy Hopkins*; as per Ditto. -		2	5 0
	To Ditto paid *Daniel Smith*'s Account for Rum, delivered to the Government as per Order of the Committee of War, drawn by *Stephen Hopkins* Eſq; when one of the Committee. - - -		662	0 0
	To Caſh paid the General Treaſurer; as per Receipt.		150	0 0
	And one Bond, ſigned by *Daniel Smith* of *Springfield*, conditioned for the Payment of *One Hundred and Fifty Pounds*. - - -		150	0 0
	The two laſt Sums ariſing for the Sales of the Eſtate of *Richard Smith* of *Gloceſter*; as per Treaſurer's Receipts.			
	To Caſh paid Capt. *Ebenezer Jenckes* by order of *Stephen Hopkins*, one of the Committee of War.		300	0 0
	To Caſh paid *Daniel Jenckes* as per Order from the General Treaſurer.		249	12 3
		£.	4158	1 6

Creditor.

1757. *March* 29.	BY the Amount of the Sales of the perſonal Eſtate of *Samuel Bartlet* of *Cumberland*. -	£.	451	11 6
	By Ditto ariſing by the Sale of *Bartlet's* Real Eſtate.		5051	0 0
	By Amount of the Sales of *David Brown* of *Scituate*'s Eſtate. - - - - -		330	0 0
	By the Amount of the Sales of the Eſtate of *Richard Smith* of *Glouceſter*. - -		300	0 0
	The whole Amount of the Credit given in. -	£.	6132	11 6
	The whole Amount of Debt againſt the Colony.		4158	1 6
			1974	10 0

WE the Subſcribers, being a Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, at their Seſſions held at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, on the fourth Monday of *Auguſt*, A. D. 1759, to inſpect into and ſettle the Accompts of *David Wilkinſon*, with the Colony, do report as followeth, That we have well examined the Accompts and Vouchers, relative to the whole of the Accompts, in the beſt Manner we can; and do thereby find that there is a juſt Balance due, from *David Wilkinſon*, to the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, of *Nineteen Hundred and Seventy four Pounds Ten Shillings*. Witneſs our Hands at *Providence*, this 25th Day of *October*, A. D. 1759.

The Charge againſt *Daniel Jenckes* has no Voucher, and is excepted againſt, until he find a Voucher for it.

Daniel Jenckes,
Thos. Owen,
John Warner, Jun. } Committee.

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The Charge of the Committee for ſettling the foregoing Account, taxed at

J. 12 0 0 *Warner,*
12 0 0 *Owen,*
8 0 0 *Jenckes.*

J. 32 0 0 "

And the ſaid Report and Account being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the former be, and hereby is accepted; and that the aforeſaid *David Wilkinſon* pay the Balance of *One Thouſand nine Hundred and ſeventy-four Pounds, Ten Shillings,* as the ſame is ſtated by the Committee, into the General Treaſury; and alſo that their Account of *Thirty-two Pounds* be allowed and paid them out of the General Treaſury.

What followeth is an Account of the Sheriff of the County of *Providence,* together with the Report of a Committee that examined it, and their Account of Charges.

" 1757. *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to* Allin Brown, Dr.

		£.		
Aug.	To notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly by Warrant. - - -	15	0	0
	To diſpatching the Warrants to the Officers afterwards.	16	13	4
	To Caſh paid for Work done on the Court Houſe.	4	16	0
	To Caſh paid *Robert Mc Gill* for building a Gallows.	20	0	0
	To Caſh paid *James Field* for drawing the Timber.	3	0	0
	To Caſh paid *Ebbin* for ſetting up the Gallows.	2	0	0
	To *Jonathan Olney* as per Bill. - -	48	15	0
Dec.	To 6lb of Candles for the Court and Jurors. at 14*s.*	4	4	0
	To 2 Loads of Wood. at 5 *l.* - -	10	0	0
	To Commiſſions on the Sale of *Bartlet*'s Land at 5 per Cent. - - - - -	12	0	0
	To a Deed wrote by *John Dexter.* - -	1	10	0
	To Caſh paid *Eliſha Battou* out of *Bartlet*'s Eſtate per Order. - - - - -	135	0	0
	To cutting and ſawing 2 Loads of Wood. -	1	8	0
1758.	To notifying the Members of Aſſembly by Warrant.	20	0	0
Feb.	To Caſh to Doctor *Bowen* out of *Bartlet*'s Eſtate per Order. - - -	10	0	0
May 16.	To Caſh paid *Compton* for cleaning the Court-Houſe after Soldiers. - - - -	6	10	0
	To Caſh paid *Thornton* for mending the Grates of the Goal. - - - -	2	2	0
	To *Jacob Whitman* as per Bill. - -	10	0	0
June 1.	To Caſh paid *Roger Richmond* for keeping *Cooper*'s Horſe. - - - - -	5	0	0
	To Commiſſions on the Sale of the Horſes and *Abſalom*'s Goods. - - - -	6	12	0
	To Caſh paid the King's Attorney in Part of Bills of Coſts, *Abſalom* and *Cooper.* - - -	72	0	0
	To ſundry Charges in marching the Troops as per Bill.	216	0	0
	To executing *John Abſolam* Five Pounds Lawful Money in Old Tenor. - - - -	91	13	4
	To my Time, Horſes and Expences in providing Teams for General *Amherſt.*	24	0	0
	To one large Stock-Lock and Screws for the Goal.	10	0	0
	To three Load of Walnut or the Court and Aſſembly.	18	0	0
	To 1Pair of Tongs, a Shovel and 2 Braſs Candleſticks.	24	0	0

To notifying the Members of Aſſembly by Warrant, omitted.	£.	18	0 0
To eight Papers of Tobacco, bought for the Council.		2	0 0
To two Loads of Walnut Wood, at £. 6		12	0 0
To Caſh paid *Reene* and *Payſon* for 5 Buſhels of Coal, at 5*ſ.*		1	5 0
To ſundry Charges in marching the Troops, as per Bill.		173	0 0
To *John Cole*, for a Halter to hang *Abſalom.*		3	7 0
To Caſh paid *Francis Inman* for *Bartlet*'s Eſtate,		20	0 0
To Caſh paid *Bates* for *Richard Smith*'s Eſtate.		8	0 0
To *Joſeph Brown*, for Candles, as per Bill.		13	0 0
To *David Burr*, as per Bill.		5	0 0
	£.	1045	15 8

Creditor.

BY Caſh received for one Horſe Sold of *Haggai Cooper*'s.	£.	35	0 0
By Caſh received for one Ditto Sold, of *Thos. Weſt*'s.		55	0 0
By Sundries Sold, of *John Abſalom*'s, at Vendue.		42	5 0
By Caſh received of *Nathaniel Phillips*, on Account of *John Abſalom.*		33	0 0
By Caſh received for Land Sold of *Bartlet*'s.		240	0 0
By Caſh received of *John Burt.* for a Fine.		100	0 0
	£.	505	5 0
By Balance remains, due to *Brown*,		540	10 8
	£.	1045	15 8

Errors Excepted, per me,

Allin Brown."

"WE Report, That we have examined the Accompts of *Allin Brown*, Eſq; the preſent Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, and the Vouchers to the ſame; and find that there is now due to the ſaid *Allin Brown*, Eſq; from the Colony, *Five Hundred and Forty Pounds, ten Shillings and eight Pence*, Old Tenor. Witneſs our Hands at *Providence*, this 25th Day of *October*, A. D. 1759.

Daniel Jenckes,
Thomas Owen,
John Warner, Jun. } Committee.

Charges of the Committee:

Warner,	£.	4	0 0
Owen,		4	0 0
Jenckes,		3	0 0
	£.	11	0 0

And the Premiſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee's Report be, and hereby is accepted; that the Balance of *Five Hundred and Forty Pounds, Ten Shillings and eight Pence*, therein mentioned, be paid the ſaid *Allin Brown*, out of the General Treaſury; and *Eleven Pounds* unto the Committee according to their Accompt.

What follows is a Report of the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame.

"WE the Subſcribers being, by the General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee, to ſell, at public Vendue, the Real Eſtate of *Joſeph Munro*; who was convicted

convicted of counterfeiting the Bills of public Credit of this Colony, having performed said Buſineſs, report as follows, *viz.* One Piece of Salt-Marſh was ſtruck off to *Nathan Munro*, at *Nine Pounds five Shillings per Annum*; two ſmall Lots of improved Land, and one Piece of Wood-Land ſtruck off to *Edward Boſworth*, at *Twenty Pounds per Annum*; and have given Leaſes of the ſame; the Rents to be paid to the General-Treaſurer annually, during the Life of the ſaid *Joſeph Munro*.

Joſeph Ruſſel,
Nath. Boſworth.

To which the Committee beg Leave to ſubjoin the following Account, *viz.*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland, ——————————— Dr.

To *Nathaniel Boſworth* going three Times to *Warren*, Expences, &c. - - - - -	£.	15	0 0
To *Joſeph Ruſſel* once to *Warren*, and writing ſundry Advertiſements. - - -		6	0 0
To paid the Vendue Maſter. - - -		3	14 0
To *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; for drawing two Pair of Leaſes.		6	0 0
	£.	30	14 0

Errors Excepted, *per*
Joſeph Ruſſel,
Nathaniel Boſworth, } Committee."

And the ſaid Report and Account being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted; that the Accompt of the Committee be allowed, and *Thirty Pounds fourteen Shillings*, the Amount of it, paid the ſaid *Joſeph Ruſſel* and *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſqrs; out of the General Treaſury.

What follows is an Account of the Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, together with the Report of a Committee that examined it, and their Account of Charges.

" *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, Dr. *to* Nathaniel Boſworth.

Decem. 17, 1754. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -	£.	5	0 0
Feb. 25, 1755. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
March 4, 1755. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - -		5	0 0
Auguſt 2, 1755. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
Sept. 1, 1755. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
Dec. 18, To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
June 1756 To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
October 12. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
February 11, 1758. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
December 1759. To warning the Members of the General Aſſembly. - - -		5	0 0
	£	50	0 0

December

December 9, 1758. To my Charges on *Joſeph Munro*'s Eſtate.

	£.	s.	d.
To aſſiſting in taking *Joſeph Munro* the Money Maker.	4	0	0
To my going to *Warren* three Times, to attach the ſaid Eſtate; ſecond to ſet up Notifications, and third to ſell ſaid Eſtate.	10	0	0
To my Expences.	3	6	0
To my going to *Newport* to get the General Treaſurer's Order to ſell the ſaid Eſtate.	5	0	0
To my Commiſſions and Fees for Sale.	14	10	0
To my Time and Charges in getting the Salt Marſh ſurvey'd.	10	0	0
To paid for the Deed.	4	0	0
To my going to *Newport* to make a Return.	5	0	0
To paid the General Treaſurer for the Salt-Marſh Sold.	311	7	6
To attaching his Wood-Boat, and Charges of bringing the Boat to *Briſtol*, and Commiſſions upon Vendue Sale.	24	0	0
To Mr. *John Norris*'s Bill for the Court-Houſe.	10	10	0
To Mr. *Nathaniel Munro*'s Bill.	26	0	0
To 50 Squares of Glaſs, 7 by 9	16	5	0
To 20 Feet of Pine Plank, 40*ſ.* To Deck Nails and Board Nails, 7*ſ.*	2	7	0
To 7 Feet of Pine Board, 7*ſ.* To 2 Pieces of Timber, 12*ſ.*	0	19	0
To Mr. *Gallop*'s Bill.	1	5	0
To Mr. *William Hoar*'s Bill for Painting.	3	0	0
To Captain *Potter*'s Bill for Boards.	3	13	6
To a Piece of Timber and Plank.	0	17	0
To 12 Feet of Board.	0	12	0
To Spikes and Double-Tens.	1	8	0
To one Padlock.	4	0	0
To Mr. *Franklin*'s Bill, for advertiſing *John Smith* who broke Goal.	6	0	0
1757. *Aug.* To apprehending and committing *Thomas Weſt* and *Haggai Cooper*, by Warrant, for counterfeiting Money, and attending Court.	1	18	0
To ſending them to *Providence* Goal.	21	0	0
	£. 540	18	0
Balance due to the Colony,	2	15	6
	£. 543	13	6

Creditor.

	£.	s.	d.
By the Salt-Marſh Sold to *John Cole*, Eſq;	311	7	6
By the Wood Boat Sold to Mr. *John Coy*	195	0	0
By Glaſs Sold to Mr. *John Norris*.	5	10	0
By Glaſs Sold to Mr. *Jotham Carpenter*.	1	16	0
By two Iron Caſements and Barrs.			
By *Lydia Maſon*'s Fine.	10	0	0
By *Joſeph Maſon*'s Ditto.	10	0	0
	£. 533	13	6
By an Overcharge of 20*ſ.* in each Time Warning the Members of the General Aſſembly, in the County of *Briſtol*.	10	0	0
	£. 543	13	4

Errors Excepted, per *Nathaniel Boſworth*."

Having

Having examined the aboveAccount we find the ſame right caſt and well vouched.

Joſeph Ruſſel,
Shearjaſhub Bourn, } Committee.

Unto which Report was ſubjoined the following Account.

" Colony of *Rhode-Iſland,* Dr.

To our Time and Expence examining and adjuſting the above Account. £ 8 0 0

Joſeph Ruſſel,
Shearjaſhub Bourn."

And the Premiſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the Report of the Committee be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That *Two Pounds fifteen Shillings and ſix Pence,* the Balance of the foregoingAccompt, be paid by Mr. Sheriff *Boſworth* into the General Treaſurer: That the Accompt of the Committee be allowed, and the above-mentioned Sum of *Eight Pounds* paid them out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Allin Brown,* Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence,* preferred a Petition, and reported unto this Aſſembly, that, in Obedience to a Warrant iſſued by His *Honour the Governor,* he impreſſed ſeveral Carts to tranſport the Baggage of a Number of His Majeſty's Troops, that were paſſing thro' this Government; for which he hath been ſued in the County of *Suffolk,* by one of the Carters and Judgment rendered againſt him, in Favour of the ſaid Carter, for Debt and Coſts. Whereupon the ſaid Sheriff prayed this Aſſembly to direct him how to proceed with Regard to what has already happened; and alſo how to conduct himſelf in Caſe other Suits ſhould be brought againſt him on the ſame Account.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Petitioner be, and he hereby is directed to pay and diſcharge the Judgment aforeſaid; and alſo pay the other Carters, and making an Account thereof, lay the ſame before thisAſſembly at their next Seſſion.

Whereas Captain *William Rogers* exhibitted unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſupplying *George Gardner,* Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport,* with Blankets for the Uſe of *poor Priſoners* that were confined, laſt Winter, to His Majeſty's Goal in *Newport*; and the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that *Twenty Pounds,* the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Rogers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Captain *William Rogers* exhibitted unto this Aſſembly an Account charged againſt the Colony, for ſeven Pounds of Gun-Powder, by him furniſhed, on Occaſion of the laſt General Election. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be and hereby is allowed; and that *Sixteen Pounds ſixteen Shillings,* the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Rogers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Daniel Jenckes,* Eſq; and ſundry others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence,* preferred a Petition and repreſented unto the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Providence,* on Monday the Eighteenth of *December* laſt, that the Bridge over *Patucket-Falls* was gone very much to Decay; and would ſoon become unfit for the Paſſage of Travellers, unleſs ſomething were ſoon done unto it. On Conſideration whereof, *John Dexter* of *Cumberland,* Eſq; was, by the ſaid Aſſembly, appointed to make a ſpeedy Repair of the ſaid Bridge, and draw Money out of the General Treaſury to pay for the ſame. And he, the

ſaid *John Dexter*, having undertaken and performed the Service to him committed, now exhibitted an Account charged againſt the Colony for his own Labour, for Boards, Plank, Slitwork, Spring-Pieces, and ſundry Disburſements neceſſarily ariſing upon the ſaid Buſineſs. Whereupon a Committee being appointed to audit the ſaid Account, made the following Report, to wit. " *South-Kingſtown, November* 2*d*, 1759. We the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly to audit the Account of *John Dexter*, Eſq; for building the Bridge over *Patucket-Falls*, do report that ſaid Account, excluſive of Commiſſions, amounting to *Seventeen Hundred and eighty one Pounds, twelve Shillings and eight Pence*, old Tenor, is properly vouched, and ought to be paid accordingly.

Jabez Bowen,
Joſeph Ruſſel,
Nicholas Brown."

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted; and that the Sum of *Seventeen Hundred and eighty one Pounds, twelve Shillings and eight Pence*, therein mentioned, be paid the aforeſaid *John Dexter* out of the General Treaſury; together with *Sixty Pounds*, over and above what he hath charged for his own Labour, as a Gratuity for his extraordinary Care and Trouble.

What followeth is an Account exhibited unto this Aſſembly by the Gentlemen who ſigned it.

" *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to* Philip Wilkinſon *and* Daniel Ayrault, *Jun.* Dr. *For the Board paid of the* French *Priſoners, brought in the Ship* Grand Sultan, *viz.*

	£.	s.	d.
Caſh paid *Charles Shearman* for the Board of the ſecond Captain, a Paſſenger and ſecond Lieutenant of the ſaid Ship, after ſhe was condemned, from the 14th of *November* 1757, to the 29th of the ſame Month, which makes 6 Weeks and 3 Days, at £.8 0 0. - -	51	7	6
Ditto paid for the *French Doctor*'s Board, from the 14th of *November* to the 3d of *January*, is 7 Weeks and one Day, at £.8. - - - - -	57	2	10
Ditto paid for Capt. *Briot* and his Man, from the 14th of *November* 1757, to *April* 11th, 1758, is 42 Weeks and 2 Days, at £.8 per Week.	338	5	8
	£. 446	16	0

Errors Excepted, per
Philip Wilkinſon,
Daniel Ayrault, Jun.

" Deduct overcharged on one Man's Board 40*ſ.* per Week, 21 Weeks and 1 Day.	£.42	6	0
	£. 404	10	4

" *South-Kingſtown, November* 2*d*, 1759.

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly to audit the within Account, do report that ſaid Charges, amounting to *Four Hundred and four Pounds, ten Shillings*, Old Tenor, are according to the Law of this Colony, and ought to be paid accordingly.

Jabez Bowen,
Joſeph Ruſſel,
Nicholas Brown."

£. 404 10 0.

And

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted; and that the Sum of *Four Hundred and four Pounds ten Shillings*, therein mentioned, be paid unto Meſſieurs *Philip Wilkinſon* and *Daniel Ayrault*, Jun. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *James Honyman*, *Nicholas Cooke*, and *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſqrs; were, by a Vote of this Aſſembly, conſtituted a Committee to prepare and lay before them an Eſtimate of ſuch Sums of Money as may be neceſſary for paying off the Troops of this Colony, at their Return from the Campaign, *and ſo forth*. And the ſaid Committee having undertaken and performed the Buſineſs to them committed, preſented what followeth. "We the Subſcribers, in Obedience to the Appointment of the Vote aforeſaid, have made an Eſtimate of what Sums of Money may be neceſſary for the Supply of the General Treaſury, do report as follows, *viz.* For the Payment of the Troops in the Service of the Colony the Sum of *One Hundred Ninety four Thouſand nine Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds*, Old Tenor: For the Payment of the late Agents Account, *Fourteen Hundred and Forty Pounds*: For the Payment of the Carriages of the Baggage &c. of the Regular Troops to *Boſton*, *Fifteen Hundred Pounds*: For the Payment of Mr. *John Dexter*'s Account for the Bridge, *Nineteen Hundred and fifty Pounds*: For the Payment of the Workmen &c. at *Fort-George*, *Five Thouſand Pounds*. The whole whereof amounts to *Eleven Thouſand two Hundred Pounds* Lawful Money.

J. Honyman,
Nicholas Cooke,
J. Babcock."

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted. And the General Treaſurer is directed not to appropriate any Part of the Rate or Tax of *Eleven Thouſand Pounds*, Lawful Money, which is now collecting to any other Uſe than the Payment of the ſeveral Sums mentioned in the foregoing Report.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Thurſday the Twenty-ſecond of the next Month be obſerved as a Day of *Publick Thankſgiving*, in and throughout this Colony: And His Honour the Governor is requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation accordingly.

Whereas there was laid before this Aſſembly a certain Bill propoſed to be paſſed into "*An Act for veſting and diſtributing Inteſtate Eſtates*:" Which being read, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Bill be and hereby is referred unto the next Seſſion: And that the Clerk of the *Lower Houſe* get it printed, at the Charge of the Colony, as ſoon as conveniently may be; and when the ſame is done, ſend a Copy unto each Member of the *Upper Houſe*, one to every *firſt and ſecond Deputy* of the ſeveral Towns, and one to each *Town-Clerk* in the Colony; that the ſaid Bill may be thereby made as public as poſſible in the mean Time.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That in Caſe His Excellency General Amherst ſhall write unto this Government, and requeſt that the Troops of this Colony, or any Part of them be retained, His Honour the Governor be and hereby is requeſted to call the General Aſſembly together *immediately*, in Order to conſider of that Matter. But, in Caſe the General ſhall be ſilent on that Head, that then His Honour be and hereby is requeſted and impowered to diſcharge the ſaid Troops, both Officers and Soldiers, as ſoon as conveniently may be, after their Return to this Colony: And that the Committee of War pay them off.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to hire a ſufficient Quantity of Gold and Silver, at *Six per Cent*, (if he can) to diſcharge his Notes, and redeem ſuch *Crown-Point-Bills* as are yet outſtanding;

and

and alſo the Bonds given for Lawful Money, omitted in *Auguſt*, which will be due next *December*. And whereas at the Seſſion of the General Aſſembly begun and holden at *Providence*, on Monday the Twenty-ſixth of *February* laſt, an Act was paſſed, requeſting His Honour the Governor to cauſe the Accounts of Billeting, Tranſport-Hire, *and ſo forth*, for Part of the Year *One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and Fifty-ſix*, and for the Whole of *One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven*, to be made out and ſent by Col. *Henry Babcock*, to His Excellency General *Amherſt* for Payment; and that the ſaid Money, when received, ſhould be lodged in the Hands of Mr. *Volkert Douw*, Jun. the Colony's Agent: Which Accounts were ſent accordingly; but the General had taken the Field: Whereupon they were remitted unto His Honour the Governor, who has them now in his Cuſtody. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That His Honour be and hereby is requeſted, at the Riſing of this Aſſembly, to ſend the ſaid Accounts, *by Expreſs*, unto the aforeſaid Colonel *Babcock*, and impower him to receive the Money due, by ſaid Accounts, *in Specie*, and deliver the ſame unto the General Treaſurer, to be appropriated to the Payment of the Gold and Silver Money Debts, due from the Colony: And, if it ſhall ſo happen, that the General is not in Caſh, that then the ſaid Colonel receive Bills of Exchange for the ſame (no one of which to exceed the Sum of *One Hundred Pounds* Sterling) and deliver them unto the General Treaſurer; who is hereby impowered to ſell them for Gold and Silver, to the beſt Advantage, firſt indorſing them, if required. And that, if any Money, given by the Crown, ſhall arrive before the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly, the General Treaſurer receive the ſame, and appropriate it alſo to the Payment of the ſaid Gold and Silver Money Debts.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That ſuch Part of the Act of Aſſembly as orders the Money to be received of General *Amherſt*, to be lodged in the Hands of the aforeſaid *Volkert Douw*, Jun. be and hereby is repealed. *And farther*, That no *Crown-Point-Bills* be redeemed after three Months, from the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

Whereas *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *King's-County*, exhibitted an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Court-Houſe in the ſaid County; which was examined by a Committee appointed by the *Lower Houſe*, and the Gentlemen reported as followeth, *to wit*

"*November* 3*d*, 1759. The Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to audit the within Account of *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; do report that we have performed the Service, and examined the Vouchers; and find there is a Balance of *Eleven Hundred and twenty-five Pounds, fifteen Shillings and ſix Pence*, due to ſaid *Brown*.

J. Babcock,
Wm. Read."

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted; and that the Balance in the ſaid Report ſettled, ſhall be paid the aforeſaid *Beriah Brown*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Samuel Angel*, Eſq; who was Colonel of the Regiment raiſed by this Colony, for the Campaign againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America*, in the Year One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, exhibitted an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his *Table Expences*, in Conſequence of an Act made and paſſed when he was choſen to that Office. *Whereupon*, a Committee of both Houſes was appointed to audit the ſaid Account. And the Gentlemen having undertaken and performed the Service to them committed, reported as followeth.

"We

" We the Subſcribers being appointed to examine the within Accounts, have accordingly done the ſame, and made ſuch Deductions from the ſundry Articles charged therein, as we think juſt, and do report, That We are of Opinion, that *Fifteen Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings* of the ſame ought to be paid.

J. Gardiner,
Gideon Comſtock,
John Jepſon."

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration. *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be and hereby is accepted, and that the above mentioned Sum of *Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds, Eighteen Shillings,* be allowed and paid unto the aforeſaid *Samuel Angel* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Providence* on Monday the Twenty-ſixth of *February* laſt, made and paſſed an Act, that Lawful Intereſt ſhould be allowed and paid Col. *Samuel Angel,* out of the General Treaſury, for the Money he advanced to his Soldiers upon the Colony's Account, in the Year One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, when he had the Command of the Troops by this Government raiſed, for that Year's Campaign, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in *North-America.* And as nothing further hath been hitherto done in the Affair, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the Committee of War be and hereby are directed to ſettle the ſaid Intereſt, and give an Order on the General Treaſurer for the Payment thereof.

As there is the utmoſt Neceſſity for a Bridge to be laid over *Hunt's River, It is Voted and Reſolved,* That *Jabez Bowen, Job Trip* and *James Helme,* Eſqrs; be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine what Town or Towns, is or are by Law, obliged to erect ſuch Bridge, and make Report thereof unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

Whereas the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion begun and holden at *Eaſt-Greenwich,* on Monday the Twentieth of *Auguſt* laſt, choſe *James Honyman, Jonathan Randal, Peter Bours, Job Randal, Immanuel Northup* and *Othniel Gordon,* Eſqrs; and appointed them or the major Part of them a Committee to examine all the *Mortgages* in the Grand Committee's Office; and ſelect each and every of them, whoſe *Tenth Bonds* have been put in Suit, and the Writs returned *non eſt* : And that all ſuch *Mortgages* ſhould be immediately ſued out, in the reſpective Counties, thoſe excepted which the ſaid Committee ſhould have good Reaſon to ſtop, if there ſhould be any ſuch. And the ſaid Committee was likewiſe to ſelect all the *Mortgages* for which no *Tenth Bonds* can be found, and order ſuch of them, as they ſhould think proper, to be put in Suit: And alſo examine all the *Intereſt Bonds* in the Hands of the General Treaſurer, which have been ſued, and the Writs returned *non eſt* : And that ſuch of the ſaid *Mortgages* unto which ſaid Bonds belong, as the Committee might think proper, ſhould be ſued out by the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office. In Conſequence of which Appointment, *Peter Bours, Job Randal* and *Immanuel Northup,* Eſquires, undertook the Service above-mentioned, and preſented the ſubſequent Reports, to wit.

" The following is a Liſt of *Non Eſt* Bonds, belonging to the County of *Newport.* The Deeds to which ſaid Bonds were given, are to be put in Suit. by Order of the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe.

Joſeph Whipple, two Deeds. *Newport* fifth Bank.
Joſeph Whipple, two Deeds. *Newport* fourth Bank.
John Brown, Diſtiller, no Deed in the Office. Three Bonds in the ſixth Bank.
Peter Ball, one Deed in *New-Shoreham.* Third Bank.
Tormet Roſe, one Deed, *New-Shoreham.* Sixth Bank.

Daniel Roſe, two Deeds, *New-Shoreham.* Sixth and eighth Banks.
Nathanael Dodge, two Deeds, *New-Shoreham.* Third and eighth Banks.
John Mott, two Deeds, *New-Shoreham.* Fourth and eighth Banks.
William Warner, one Deed, *New-Shoreham.* Fifth Bank.
Jeremiah Weeden, two Deeds, *Newport.* Fourth and ſixth Banks.
William Brown, one Deed, *Portſmouth.* Fifth Bank.
Benjamin Brenton, three Deeds, *Newport.* Third, fifth and ſeventh Banks.
Benjamin Tucker, two Deeds, *Portſmouth.* Sixth and eighth Banks.
John Wing, one Deed, *Portſmouth.* Sixth Bank.
William Earl, two Deeds, *Portſmouth.* Third and fourth Banks.
William Coggeſhall of *Portſmouth.* All his Deeds.
Peleg Carr, of *Newport.* One Deed, fourth Bank.
Sarah Arnold, *Newport.* One Deed, third Bank.
William Brown, *Portſmouth.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
Daniel Fiſh, *Portſmouth.* Two Deeds, fifth Bank.
Salisbury Shearman, *Portſmouth.* Fifth Bank.
John Freeborn, *Portſmouth.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
Stephen Brayton, *Portſmouth.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
John Slocum, *Portſmouth.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
William Allen, *Portſmouth.* Two Deeds, ſeventh and eighth Banks.
Thomas Scranton, *Jameſtown.* Two Deeds, ſixth Bank.
William Rock, *New-Shoreham.* Two Deeds, ſeventh and eighth Banks.
Thomas Dickens, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
William Dodge, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, eighth Bank.
George Mitchel, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
Weſton Clarke, *Newport.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
Ephraim Davis, *Newport.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
Joſeph Sabin, *Newport.* One Deed, ſeventh Bank.
John Gidley, *Newport.* All his Deeds to be ſued.
Nathaniel Dier, *Newport.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
Thomas Mitchel, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
Ebenezer Sheppard, *Newport.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
George Mitchel, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
William Jones, Jun. *Providence.* Two Deeds, ſecond and fifth Banks.
Benjamin and *Joſeph Wanton*, *Newport.* One Deed, fifth Bank.
Eſek Brown, *Swanſey.* One Deed, firſt Bank.
Joſeph Peckham, *Newport.* One Deed, firſt Bank.
Achos Toſh, *New-Shoreham.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
Eliſha Berry, *King's-County.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
Iſaac George, *Newport.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
William Hannah, Jun. *Newport.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
Shadrack Keys, *Providence.* One Deed, ſecond Bank.
Joſeph James, *Newport.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
Iſaac Brayton, *Newport.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.
John Gould, *Newport.* One Deed, ſixth Bank.

Newport, October 28, 1759.

Peter Bours,
Job Randal,
Immanuel Northup."

" The following is a Liſt of *Non Eſt* Bonds, in the Grand Committee's Office, belonging to the County of *Providence.* The Mortgage Deeds, to which ſaid Bonds belong, are ordered to be ſued by the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, *viz.*

Peter

Peter Button, three Deeds in *Glouceſter*. Eighth Bank, and two of the Old Tenor.
Abraham Ballue, one Ditto, In Ditto. Eighth Bank.
Elijah Dean, one Ditto in *Providence*. Eighth Bank.
Thomas Herrandeen, three Ditto in *Smithfield*. Sixth, ſeventh and eigth Banks.
John Hopkins, one Ditto in *Providence*. Eighth Bank.
Elijah Inman, two Ditto in *Gloceſter*. Eighth Bank.
Samuel Ladd, one Ditto in *Providence*. Seventh Bank.
Nedebiah Olney, one Ditto in *Smithfield*. Sixth Bank.
William Phillips, one ditto in ditto. Sixth Bank.
Peter Roberts, one ditto in *Providence*. Sixth Bank.
Reſolved Waterman, one ditto in ditto. Seventh Bank.
John Rhodes, one ditto in *Scituate*. Sixth Bank.
John Thornton, four ditto in ditto. Sixth and ſeventh Banks.
Ebenezer Liews, one ditto in ditto. Eighth Bank.
Jonathan Waid, one ditto in *Gloceſter*. Fifth Bank.
James Walling, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
David Waters, one ditto in ditto. Old Tenor.
Reſolved Waterman, one ditto in *Providence*. Old Tenor.
David Aldrich, one ditto in *Gloceſter*. Eighth Bank.
Stephen Thornton, one ditto in *Providence*. Fifth Bank.
John Trayce, two ditto in ditto. Third and fourth Banks.
Jonathan Salisbury, one ditto in *Gloceſter*. Fifth Bank.
John Salisbury, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
Ebenezer Sprague, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
William Burrough, one ditto in *Providence*. Five Bonds.
Robert Briggs, one ditto in *Scituate*. Five Bonds.
Samuel Burlingame, one ditto in *Providence*. Five Bonds.
Roger Burlingame, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
Immanuel Rouſe, one ditto in *Smithfield*. Sixth Bank.
Joſeph Place, one ditto in *Gloceſter*. Fifth Bank.
John Pearce, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
Zechariah Eady, three ditto in ditto.
Samuel Cary, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
Philip Smith, one ditto in *Providence*. Fifth Bank.
George Thompſon. two ditto in *Gloceſter*. Third and fifth Banks.
Henry Aldrich, one ditto in *Smithfield*. Old Tenor.
Daniel Hicks, three ditto in *Gloceſter*.
William Thornton, one ditto in ditto. Fourth Bank.
David Herrindeen, one ditto in *Smithfield*. Fifth Bank.
John Walton, one ditto in *Warwick*. Fifth Bank.
Mary Rhodes, one ditto in *Providence*. Third Bank.
Margaret Tinion, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.

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Peter Bours,
Jok Randal,
Immanuel Northup."

" The following is a Liſt of *Non eſt* Bonds belonging to theCounty of *King's County*. The Deeds, to which ſaid Bonds were given, are to be put in Suit, by Order of the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe.

North-

North-Kingſtown.

John Albro, four Deeds in *North-Kingſtown.* Two of the third, one of the fourth, and one of the fifth Banks.
Benjamin Hyams, one ditto in ditto. In the Fifth Bank.
Ezekiel Whitford's Deeds in ditto. All to be ſued.
Elnathan Sweet, one ditto in ditto. New Tenor.
John Gould, one ditto in ditto. Fourth Bank.
Benjamin Sweet, two ditto in ditto. Fifth ditto and ſecond.
Thomas Jakeways, one ditto in ditto. Fifth ditto.
Job Lawton, two ditto in ditto. Fifth and ſeventh.
Thomas Eldred, one ditto in ditto. Old Tenor.
William Allen, one ditto in ditto. Second Bank.
William Havens, one ditto in ditto. Second ditto.
Charles Brown, one ditto in ditto. Old Tenor.
John Groonet, one ditto in ditto. Old Tenor.
Samuel Reynolds, one ditto in ditto. Sixth Bank.

South-King ſtown.

Henry Knowles, all his Deeds to be ſued.
Ebenezer Niles jun. three Deeds in ditto, two of the fifth and one of the ſixth Banks.
Ichabod Potter, one ditto in ditto. Fifth Bank.
Samuel Worden, two ditto of ditto. Fourth and fifth Banks.
Jeremiah Clarke, two ditto of ditto. Fourth and fifth ditto.
Aaron Milliman, one ditto of ditto. Fifth ditto.
Charles Dickenſon, one ditto of ditto. Fifth ditto.
Jeremiah Fiſh's Deeds of ditto. All to be ſued.
Thomas Potter, one ditto of ditto. Fifth Bank.
Chriſtopher Helme, one ditto of ditto. Second ditto.
Stephen Gardiner, one ditto of ditto. Fourth Bank.
Benajah Carr, one ditto of ditto. Sixth ditto.

Weſterly.

Joſhua Champlin, one ditto in *Weſterly.* Fifth Bank.
Iſaac Sheffield, of *Weſterly.* All his Deeds to be ſued.
James Covey, one ditto of ditto. Fifth Bank.
John Pooler, one ditto of ditto. Fifth ditto.
Roger Elderton, one ditto of ditto. Fifth ditto.
Richard Bennet, one ditto of ditto. Fifth ditto.
Thomas Rogers, one ditto of ditto. Fourth ditto.
Iſaac Thompſon's Deeds of ditto. All to be ſued.
William Lewis of *Weſterly,* one Deed. Fourth Bank.
Chriſtopher Champlin, of ditto, one Deed. Fourth ditto.
Jonathan Maxſon, of ditto's Deeds. All to be ſued.
Clement Weſt, of *Charleſtown,* two Deeds. Sixth and eighth Banks.
Caleb Church of ditto, two Deeds. Seventh and eighth ditto.
James Hyarns of *Exeter,* two Deeds. One New Tenor, and one Old Tenor.
Edward Wing of *Sandwich,* one ditto. Seventh Bank. The Land lieth in *Exeter.*
William Bently of *Weſt-Greenwich,* one Deed Seventh Bank.

Newport, October 28th, 1759.

Peter Bours,
Job Randal,
Immanuel Northup."

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Newport.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*			*when given*
Thomas Salter	16	9 and	£.2 10 0 — and £.1 15 0	—	1737
Thomas Brooks	4	10 0 0	-	-	1733
Benjamin Belcher	3	7 0 0	-	-	1728
Richard and Daniel Chadwick	2	2 0 0	-	-	1731
James Gardner	1	1 15 0	-	-	1733
Joſeph Gardner	2	1 15 0	-	-	1728
William Gardner	1	7 0 0	-	-	1728
William Jones	4	10 0 0	-	-	1731
Joſeph James	1	1 10 0	-	-	1738
Shad. Keys	4	12 10 0	-	-	1731
Joſeph Knowlton	7	7 10 0	-	-	1733
Eliſha Weſt	2	3 10 0	-	-	1746
William Wall	3	4 6 0	-	-	1738
J. Lillibridge	7	0 12 0	New Tenor —	—	1744
James Peckham	3	1 5 0	N. T. —	—	1744
Samuel Mott	2	5 0 0	-	-	1728
William Phillips	3	1 5 0	-	-	1731
William Allen	2	6 and	16 N. T. *North-Kingſtown.*		1744
John Wall	3	0 12 0	Each N. Tenor. -		1748
John Wall	1	4 4 0	New Tenor. -		1746
Samuel Dunn	1	10 0 0	-	-	1733
Joſeph Rogers	1	2 0 0	-	-	1731
John Weſtgate	3	1 10 0	-	-	1738
Joſeph James	5	1 10 0	-	-	1738
T. Wrightington	3	2 0 0	-	-	1728
Sarah Sweet	2	7 10 0	-	-	1731
N. Coddington	2	3 10 0	-	-	1738
Eb. Sheppard	8	8 0 0	-	-	1733

Portſmouth.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*			*when given*
Joſhua Coggeſhall	3	5 7 0	-	-	1733
Joſeph Coggeſhall	3	5 13 0	-	-	1731
Nathaniel Hall	1	25 0 0	-	-	1733
Thomas Freeborn	2	8 5 0	-	-	1733
John Slocum	1	3 0 0	-	-	1733
John Slocum	1	1 5 0	-	-	1738
John Slocum	1	5 0 0	-	-	1731
James Strange	6	0 12 4	New Tenor. -	-	1741
Thomas Hicks, Jun.	4	5 13 0	-	-	1731
Thomas Hicks, Jun.	4	7 0 0	-	-	1728
Thomas Lawton	1	6 10 0	-	-	1728
Jeremiah Talman	1	6 15 0	-	-	1740
Jeremiah Talman	1	2 6 0	-	-	1740
John Slocum, Jun.	4	3 0 0	-	-	1733
Joanna Bennet	3	1 5 0	-	-	1728
William Hall, Jun.	2	5 13 0	-	-	1731
Nathaniel Hall	1	25 17 0	-	-	1733
Joanna Bennet.	3	1 5 0	-	-	1728

Jameſtown.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*			*when given*
Samuel Rathbun, Jun.	1	5 0 0	-	-	1728
Thomas Mitchel	1	7 10 0	-	-	1728
Henry Goddard	3	7 0 0	-	-	1733
Joſeph Mitchel	0	2 0 0	-	-	1728
Thomas Cranſton	3	2 1 0	-	-	1738
William Batty	2	7 0 0	-	-	1733
Thomas Eldred	1	7 14 0	-	-	1743
Thomas Scranton	3	2 1 0	*N. Kingſtown.*		1738

North-Kingſtown.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*			*when given*
James Sweet	3	2 10 5	New Tenor.	-	1741
James Sweet	1	11 9 0	-	-	1738
John Congdon	2	2 14 5	New Tenor.	-	1741
John Mumford, Jun.	3	2 17 7	New Tenor.	-	1741
William Lewis	4	0 13 7	New Tenor.	-	1744
William Lewis	4	0 19 7	New Tenor.	-	1741
Benajah Carr	4	1 3 1	-	-	1738
Daniel Hix	6	1 3 0	-	-	1743
Daniel Hix	3	4 13 0	-	-	1738
Richard Thornton	1	52 10 0	-	-	1739
William Thornton	1	3 0 0	-	-	1733
Jonathan Salisbury	1	2 0 0	-	-	1733
John Thornton	2	9 8 0	New Tenor.	-	1741
Joſias Spink	1	1 17 0	-	-	1743
Samuel Whaley	1	0 17 6	New Tenor.	-	1744
Zechariah Eddy	1	1 5 0	-	-	1742
Daniel Fiſk	3	1 9 3	New Tenor.	-	1741
Joſeph Place	1	1 12 0	-	-	1733
Jeremiah Thornton	3	0 9 7	New Tenor.	-	1741
John Peirce, M.	1	1 5 0	-	-	1733
Thomas Walling	1	1 1 8	New Tenor.	-	1744
John Dollaf	5	0 10 0	New Tenor.	-	1744
Jonathan Wade	1	1 15 0	-	-	1734
John Thornton	1	0 9 8	New Tenor.		1741
Samuel Carey, M.	1	2 0 0	-	-	1739
Jeremiah Thornton	6	0 9 7	-	-	1741
Jeremiah Thornton	5	2 10 0	-	-	1738
Jeremiah Thornton	3	3 5 0	-	-	1738

South-Kingſtown	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*			*when given*
Joſeph Power	3	2 8 9	-	-	1731
John Webſter	7	0 19 3	New Tenor.	-	1741
Ralph Woolman	5	1 11 8	-	-	1728
John Pearſe	2	1 11 0	-	-	1728
John Pearſe	3	1 5 0	-		1733
William Huſton	1	0 13 0	New Tenor		1741
William Huſton	1	7 10 0		- -	1741
John White	2	1 5 0		- -	1728

William

William Remington of *Providence*	7	2	4	0	-	-	1731
James Champlin of *Weſterly*	1	0	11	2	New Tenor.	-	1744
Wm. Clark, the 2d of *Weſterly*	1	1	5	0	-	-	1728
Benjamin Brand	6	0	16	9	New Tenor.	-	1741
James Covey	6	7	10	0	-	-	1733
James Covey	4	1	5	0	-	-	1728
Robert Briggs	2	1	5	0	-	-	1741
Francis Robinſon	2	0	11	2	New Tenor.	-	1741
William Brand	1	2	10	0	-	-	1733
Caleb Pendleton, Jun.	5	5	15	0	-	-	1733
Thomas Rogers	5	1	5	0	-	-	1731
Jedediah Collins	1	0	11	3	New Tenor.	-	1741
John Loveleſs	1	1	5	0	-	-	1731
Jedediah Collins	1	1	5	0	-	-	1731
Jedediah Collins	1	0	8	4	New Tenor.	-	1741
Joſeph Maxſon, Jun.	1	5	0	0	-	-	1733
Joſeph Maxſon, the 3d	1	7	10	0	-	-	1733
Joſhua Champlin of *Weſterly*	1	8	15	0	-	-	1733
Joſhua Champlin of *Weſterly*	1	5	0	0	-	-	1738
William Lewis	5	0	19	7¼	New Tenor.	-	1741
William Lewis	4	0	13	7	New Tenor.	-	1744

Providence.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*				*when given*
John Thornton, M.	1	2	10	0	New Tenor. -	1741
John Thornton	3	0	9	8	New Tenor. -	1741
Daniel Aldrich	3	1	6	0	New Tenor. -	1744
Joſeph Place, M.	6	1	12	0	- -	1733
Jonathan Salisbury, M	6	2	0	0	- -	1733
John Pray	1	1	15	0	- -	1733
Peter Button, M.	1	0	9	2	New Tenor. -	1744
Samuel Carey	2	2	0	0	- -	1733
Jonathan Wade, M.	3	1	15	0	- -	1734
Jam. Stafford, *Scituate.*	3	0	19	0	New Tenor. -	1744
John Gibſon	1	0	15	7	New Tenor. -	1741
John Salisbury, M.	2	2	13	0	- -	1733
Thomas Stafford	1	2	10	0	- -	1733

North-Kingſtown.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds.*				*when given*
Benjamin Hyams of *North Kingſtown*	8	3	15	0	- -	1731
Benjamin Hyams	10	4	5	0	- -	1733
Benjamin Hyams	1	3	8	0	- -	1731
Paſko Whitford	6	2	10	0	- -	1733
Paſko Whitford	5	3	15	0	- -	1731
Jeremiah Baley	1	5	5	0	- -	1737
Jeremiah Baley	1	1	5	0	- -	1738
Thomas Jackwiſe	1	3	15	0	- -	1733
Benjamin Mowrey	1	3	10	0	- -	1731

William

William Eldred, jun.	10	2	10	0	- - -	1728
Benjamin Sweet	3	5	15	0	- - -	1733
Benjamin Sweet	1	6	5	0	- - -	1731
James Brayman	3	5	5	0	- - -	1733
James Brayman	2	2	10	0	- - -	1728
James Brayman	1	2	10	0	- - -	1731
Henry Hill	2	2	10	0	- - -	1731
James Sweet, Jun.	5	2	10	5	New Tenor. -	1741
Jeremiah Baley	1	1	5	0	. . .	1738
James Sweet	6	11	9	0	. . .	1738
James Eldred	2	2	15	0	. . .	1728
Ebenezer Cahoon	6	4	13	0	. . .	1738
Robert Hopkins	2	1	5	0	. . .	1742
Joſeph Rodman	4	0	12	10	New Tenor. -	1741
Timothy Wordin	6	0	7	2	New Tenor. -	1741
Ichabod Enos	3	3	5	0		1738
Nedebiah Olney of *Smithfield*, M.	4	7	10	0		1739

South-Kingſtown.	*Bonds.*	*Pounds*				*when given*
Henry Knowles	1	6	10	0		1739
John Mumford	1	2	17	0	New Tenor .	1744
Aaron Milliman	9	1	12	0	. .	1733
Aaron Milliman	6	1	17	0	. .	1728
Ebenezer Smith	1	17	5	0	. .	1733
Jeremiah Fiſh	2	4	0	0	. .	1733
Jeremiah Fiſh	2	7	0	0	. .	1733
Charles Dickinſon, jun.	2	2	8	9	. .	1731
Charles Dickinſon, jun.	6	4	0	0	. .	1733
Charles Dickinſon	3	7	0	0	. .	1734
Edward Enos	1	0	5	8	New Tenor. .	1741
Edward Enos	2	1	5	0	. .	1738
Edward Enos	1	3	0	0	. .	1738

Newport, October 28, 1759.

The above and foregoing is a Liſt of Treaſurer's Bonds returned *Non eſt inventus.*

Peter Bours,
Job Randal,
Immanuel Northup."

Unto which Reports was added the following Account, *to wit.*

The Colony, — — Dr.

To our Time and Trouble as follows.

To *Job Randall*, Eſq; Six Days, at £.6 *per Day*,	£.	36	0	0
To *Immanual Northup*, Eſq; Five Days, at £.4		20	0	0
To *Peter Bours*, Eſq; Four Days, at £.4.		16	0	0
	£.	72	0	0

Peter Bours,
Job Randall,
Immanuel Northup."

And the Premiſes being taken into Conſidertion, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Reports be, and the ſame are hereby accepted, and that the above Account be allowed and paid unto *Peter Bours, Job Randal and Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs: out of the General Treaſury.

And

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That all and every of the Mortgage Deeds, in the ſaid Reports mentioned, be put in Suit by the Grand Committee, at the next Inferior Court in each reſpective County; and that the *Tenth* and *Intereſt Bonds* be annexed unto each of the ſaid Deeds reſpectively. And alſo that the Committee who ſigned the aforeſaid Reports, be continued with *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; in Order to compleat the Buſineſs, which the Committee herein firſt mentioned were appointed to.

What followeth is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned it.

" We the Subſcribers being by the General Aſſembly appointed to examine the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; with this Colony, beg Leave to report; That after taking great Care and Diligence in ſearching the Records and Papers relating to ſaid Affair, We find the following Articles, which appear to us to be Miſtakes in the ſaid Account, *viz.*

In *June* 1736, is charged againſt the Colony, the Sum of £.1330; and afterwards, in *January* 1739, the ſame Sum is included in the Sum of £.22,577 3 0, charged againſt the Colony. - - -	£.1330	0	0
In *February* 1737, is charged the Sum of £.2067 10, which appears to have been received of Meſſrs. *Coddington, Updike* and *Gardner*, in ſmall Bills emitted to exchange torn Money.	2067	10	0
Alſo we find charged the Sum of £.370 and ſaid to be in the Hands of Meſſrs. *Coddington* and *Updike*: We are of Opinion ſaid Sum ought to have been charged againſt them, and not the Colony. - -	370	0	0
Mr. *Brenton* charges £.80 for Mr. *Richard Ward*'s Mortgage, and ſays, there were no Bonds given. But we find on the Back of the Mortgage, Mr. *Brenton*'s Receipt for two Tenths. - - - -	16	0	0
Mr. *Brenton* charges £.20 for one Bond of *William Randal*'s. On the Back of the Mortgage appear Ten ſeperate Receipts, ſigned by Mr. *Brenton*, and the laſt in full. -	20	0	0
Mr. *Brenton* charges £. 100 for the Balance due on Colonel *Updike*'s Deed (2d Bank) We find by the Liſt, that Col. *Updike* returned of the Deeds and Bonds, by him received of Mr. *Brenton*, on Account of four Bonds, £.100. So that we think it highly probable the ſame was included in Mr. *Updike*'s Receipt to Mr. *Brenton*. And if ſo, ſaid Sum is twice charged - - -	100	0	0
We find charged by Mr *Brenton*, for Judgments unſatisfied, viz. *Daniel Abbot* and *George Lawton*, £.139 10*s*. Mr. *Bours* informed one of us, that he would produce a Receipt that ſaid Sum was paid. - - -	139	10	0
We find alſo a large Sum charged, in Groſs, for Judgments unſatisfied; and alſo ſeveral particular Judgments unſatisfied. And we are at a Loſs to know if the Particulars are not included in the general Charge.			
We would alſo obſerve, that in *June* 1732, we find a Vote that £.1590 5*s*. be burnt, and the ſame is accordingly charged by Mr. *Brenton* as burnt. But that it was ever burnt, we find no Proof, but ſaid Vote only; except the marginal Notes be allowed for Proof. And what ſeems to us an Argument that it never was burnt, is, that Mr. *Brenton*'s firſt Charge is for £.66,071 15 6; which Sum we find to be received, excluſive of ſaid £.1590 5*s*. to which if there be			

added

added £.6313 19 7, which was received by Meſſrs. *Haſzard*, *Bours*, and others, in *June* 1745. will make £.72385 15 1; which is exactly the Sum that ſaid Meſſrs. *Hoſzard*, *Bours*, &c. report to be the whole Sum that had been received and burnt at that Time. - - - £.1590 5 0

We alſo find, by a Report in 1741, that the Committee took Notes of Mr. *Brenton* for £.3293 4 5, which they left in his Hands; and the Committee that received the Money ſay, that they received £.3111 4 4; ſo that there is a Miſtake of — — — 182 0 1

And the ſame is noted in the Margin of the Records. £.5815 5 1

We alſo find a Liſt of Mortgage Deeds which Col. *Updike* received of Mr. *Brenton*, amounting to £.4,68c 13 4; and we apprehend the ſame may be included in Mr. *Brenton*'s Charge of the Balance, due from Col. *Updike*: And if ſo, it is wrong: But have not had Time thoroughly to examine the ſame.

As to the Charge of Commiſſions, Houſe-Rents, Journeys to *Boſton*, *Salem*, &c. amounting in the firſt Account to £.6,543 8 6; and in the other to £.7,012 13 7. Whatever Part thereof appears to be due, we apprehend ought to be paid out of the General Treaſury, and not taken out of the *Loan Money*.

There are ſeveral other Articles, which, from the Difficulties and Intricacies attending this Affair, we have not been able fully to examine.

All which is humbly ſubmitted by

Gideon Comſtock,
Job Randall,
Ja. Helme."

And the ſaid Report being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted; and that the Committee who made it, be further continued, that they may compleat the Buſineſs for which they were appointed.

Whereas *Gideon Fowler* exhibited an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for attending, *as a Waiter*, on the General Aſſembly, four Days, at the Seſſion begun and holden at *South-King ſtown*, the laſt Wedneſday of *October* One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and fifty-ſeven.; and as many during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed; and that *Sixteen Pounds*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Fowler* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT to prevent bringing *The Murrain* into this Colony, from *North-Carolina*.

WHEREAS there is a contagious Diſtemper at this Time, raging among the Horned Cattle *in* North-Carolina, *which may prove of pernicious Conſequence to the Inhabitants of this Government, if brought into the ſame; and of this there is great Danger, by Reaſon large Quantities of Hides are brought into the Colony, by Veſſels trading to and from that Province.*

For Prevention whereof;

Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, no Maſter or Commander

der of any Ship or other Veſſel, coming into any Port, Haven, River or Creek within this Colony, from the Province of *North-Carolina* aforeſaid, ſhall import and land any green or untanned Hide or Hides, on any Pretence whatſoever.

And be it farther enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the Maſter or other Commander of any Ship, or other Veſſel, ſhall import into and land in any Port, Haven, River or Creek, within this Colony, any green or untanned Hide or Hides, from the Province of *North-Carolina* aforeſaid, ſuch Maſter or Commander ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of *One Hundred Pounds Lawful Money*, to and for the Uſe of the Government; to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, by Bill, Plaint or Information, in the Court of Common Pleas of the County in which the Offence ſhall be committed. And the Offender ſhall not be allowed any Eſſoign, Protection or Wager of Law.

And be it farther enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Collector and Naval-Officer of this Colony, ſhall, at the Time of Entry, adminiſter the following Oath to every Maſter or Commander of any Ship or other Veſſel, that ſhall arrive at or come into any Port, Haven or Creek, within this Colony, from the Province of *North-Carolina* aforeſaid.

"YOU A. B. *do ſolemnly Swear, that you have not, directly or indirectly, ſince the Publication of this Act, landed in any Port, Haven or Creek within this Colony, any green or untanned Hide or Hides, imported from the Province of* North-Carolina. So help you GOD."

And this Act ſhall be immediately publiſhed, and a Copy of the ſame ſet up in publick View, in the Offices of the Collector and Naval-Officer.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion. That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame unto the ſeveral Officers, who, by the Laws of this Colony, are appointed to receive and take Charge of them; and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *February* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the ſeventh Day of November, *One Thouſand ſeven Hundred and Fifty-Nine, by*

THO. WARD, *Secretary.*

A true Copy duly examined;

WITNESS, Tho Ward Secry

Printed at *Boſton* in *New-England*, by EDES & GILL, 1760.

FEBRUARY, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *South-Kingstown*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Twenty-fifth of *February*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and Thirty-third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT.

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;		HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;	
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;		The SECRETARY.	

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. JOB RANDAL, Eſq; Speaker;

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Jepſon*,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Mr. *Joſeph Turpin*,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Gideon Comſtock, Eſq;

Portſmouth;
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.

Warwick;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Mr. *James Rhodes*,
Mr. *Thomas Wickes*,

Maj. *Henry Rice.*
Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock.*
Newſhoreham;
None.
North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
Capt. *Daniel Fones.*
South-Kingſtown;
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Haſzard*,
Eaſt-Greenwich;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
William Spencer, Eſq;
Jameſtown;
Mr. *John Eldred*,
Mr. *Joſiah Arnold*, jun.
Smithfield;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun,
Scituate;
The Speaker.
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
Gloceſter;
Mr. *Silas Williams.*
Mr. *Oliver Arnold.*
Charleſtown;
Gideon Hoxſie, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie.*
Weſt-Greenwich;
Capt. *Charles Carr.*
Coventry;
Mr. *Thomas Stafford*, jun.
Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds.*
Job Tripp, Eſq;
Middletown;
Mr. *Samuel Baley*, jun.
Mr. *John Clarke.*
Briſtol;
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq;
Mr. *Simon Davis.*
Tiverton:
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons.*
Warren;
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq;
Maj. *Joſiah Hamphrey.*
Cumberland;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
Richmond;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Edward Perry, Eſq;
Cranſton;
Capt. *Edward Arnold*,
Lieut. Col. *John Potter.*
Hopkinton;
Capt. *John M'Coon*,
Mr. *Roger White.*
Johnſton;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That Capt. *Joſiah Arnold*, with Meſſi'rs *William Read* and *Peter Harriſon*, be, and they are hereby appointed to put the *Light-Houſe* into good Repair; and that the Charge thereof be paid out of the *Light-Houſe Money.*

AND farther it is Voted and Reſolved, That the aforeſaid Mr. *Read*, Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, and Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun. or the major Part of them, be, and hereby are conſtituted a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the Naval Officer, reſpecting the *Light-Houſe*, and make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

February, 1760.

An ACT augmenting the Duties on Veſſels for the better Support of the *Light-Houſe*.

WHEREAS the Light-Houſe at Beaver Tail *is at this Time very much out of Repair; and it hath been found by Experience, that the Duties ariſing on the Navigation of the Colony, are not ſufficient for the Maintenance of the ſaid Light-Houſe.*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the Repairing, and better Maintenance and Support of the aforeſaid Light-Houſe, the Duty on Veſſels in this Colony ſhall be, and hereby is augmented to the Sum of Three Pounds Old-Tenor, on every Coaſting Veſſel, and to Eight Shillings of the like Money *per* Ton, on all other Veſſels.

And the Secretary is required to ſend a Copy of this Act unto the *Naval-Officer*, upon the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

Whereas *David Wilkinſon*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account of One Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, which began and was holden at *Providence*, within and for the County aforeſaid, on the third Tueſday of *December* laſt: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Ninety Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *David Wilkinſon* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That if *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, ſhall neglect to pay into the General Treaſury, what is due from him to the Colony by the Middle of *April* next, the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully impowered to ſue the ſaid *David* for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Sheffield*, *Immanuel Northup*, and *Joſeph Lippit*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Simon Peaſe*, jun. be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, as well with Regard to what they have received as to what they have paid, ſince they were firſt choſen; and make a fair State of the whole of the ſaid Accounts (both Debt and Credit) that have accrued ſince the Commencement of the preſent War, and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

An ACT for raiſing Twelve Hundred Dollars, in Order to re-eſtabliſh the Library, lately conſumed by Fire, in the Town of *Providence*.

WHEREAS the Proprietors of the aforeſaid Library preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That almoſt all the Books and Papers of which the ſaid Library was compoſed, were, with the Book-Caſes, deſtroyed, when the Court-Houſe in ſaid Providence *was burnt; and thereupon prayed for Liberty to put forth a Lottery ſufficient to raiſe Twelve Hundred Mill'd Dollars for re-eſtabliſhing the ſaid Library.*

Upon

Upon due Conſideration whereof, and as the Re-eſtabliſhing of the afore ſaid Library is of a Public Nature, tending to promote Virtue, and the Good of Mankind,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Proprietors of the late Library, called and known by the Name of, THE PROVIDENCE LIBRARY, which was deſtroyed as aforeſaid, be, and they hereby are authorized, and fully impowered to open and ſet up a Lottery in the Town of *Providence*, conſiſting of *Twelve Thouſand Dollars*; out of which a Deduction of *Ten per Cent.* ſhall be made, for raiſing the aforeſaid Sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars, to be by the ſaid Proprietors applied toward purchaſing Books for re-eſtabliſhing the ſaid Library, and defraying the Charges of the ſaid Lottery, which is to conſiſt of Six Thouſand Tickets, at Two Dollars each, whereof One Thouſand, Five Hundred and Twenty-nine to be fortunate, *to wit.*

1	of	500	is	500
1	of	200	is	200
5	of	100	are	500
10	of	50	are	500
15	of	40	are	600
25	of	30	are	750
30	of	20	are	600
100	of	10	are	1000
120	of	8	are	960
151	of	6	are	906
1071	of	4	are	4284
1529				10,800
4471				1200 for the Libr.
6000	Tickets at Two Dollars each,			12,000

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That *Benjamin Cuſhing*, and *Samuel Nightingale*, Eſqrs. Meſs'rs *Darius Seſſions*, *Baulſton Brayton*, *Job Sweeting*, and *Joſeph Turpin*, be, and they are hereby choſen Directors, and fully impowered to ſign the Tickets to be iſſued in Conſequence of this Act, and to draw the Lottery aforeſaid; pay off the Prizes; to act, and do all Things neceſſary for compleating the Buſineſs unto them committed; and ſhall alſo be under Oath, and give Bond with ſufficient Sureties, for the faithful Performance and Diſcharge of the Truſt aforeſaid.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the better facilitating, and more ſpeedy filling up ſaid Lottery, if any Perſon who is not a Member of the ſaid Propriety, will purchaſe Sixty Tickets of the ſaid Lottery, the ſaid Perſon ſhall be intitled to a full Right in ſaid Library, and all Benefits and Immunities with the former Proprietors.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Lottery ſhall be filled, and the Drawing commence on the firſt Mon-

day

day of *September* next, or ſooner, if full, before that Time. And, in Order that there may be no Delay, all ſuch Tickets as ſhall remain unſold in the Hands of the Directors, on the firſt of *Auguſt* next, ſhall be equally divided among all the Members of the ſaid Library; and each of them ſhall depoſit the Value of his, or their Part or Parts, in Money, or give ſuch other Security as the Directors ſhall think proper to take: And all and every Perſon and Perſons that refuſe or neglect to receive his or their Proportion or Proportions of the Tickets ſo left, until after the Fifteenth Day of the ſaid Month of *Auguſt*, ſhall be forever excluded, and have no Right, Benefit, or Intereſt, in the ſaid Library; any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom, to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Adventurers in the ſaid Lottery ſhall be intitled to ſuch Prizes or Number of Dollars, as ſhall be drawn againſt the Number of his, her, or their Tickets, and the ſame ſhall be paid by ſaid Directors in Twenty Days after drawing, without any Deduction: And the Numbers of the fortunate Tickets ſhall be publiſhed in the *Newport Mercury*, as ſoon as the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery ſhall be compleated.

Whereas *David Burr*, who was keeper of his Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Providence*, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for keeping the late *Samuel Bartlet* a Priſoner in the ſaid Gaol, committed by Order of the Superior Court, and one *Sarah Staples*, by Order of *John Dexter* and *Jeremiah Whipple*, Eſqrs. two of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace in the Town of *Cumberland*; for the Hire of three Men to guard the Gaol, by Order of Authority, nineteen Nights, it being at the Time when *Elias Smith* and ſundry others were committed on Account of counterfeiting Money; for Drams, Firewood, and Candles, furniſhed the Guard, *and ſo forth*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighty-eight Pounds Nineteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *David Burr* out of the General Treaſury.

What follows is a Report of the Gentleman who ſigned it.

"I THE Subſcriber, being by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, appointed one of the Committee with *Peter Bours*, *Job Randal*, and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs. to make Enquiry into the General Treaſurer's and Grand Committee's Office, concerning the *non eſt* Intereſt and Tenth Bonds belonging to the County of *Kent*, have in Obedience to ſaid Appointment, carefully examined into ſaid Affair, and found a large Number of ſaid Bonds, and have cauſed Forty-one Mortgage Deeds to be put in Suit at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas begun and held at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the County of *Kent*, on the third Tueſday of *January* laſt paſt, and have cauſed ſaid *non eſt* Intereſt and Tenth Bonds to be annexed to each Mortgage Deed to which they reſpectively belong: And there is ſtill remaining a conſiderable Number of *non eſt* Bonds, the Mortgage Deeds to which ſaid Bonds belong could not be found in the Grand Committee's Office when I was

 there;

there; by which Reaſon ſaid Mortgage Deeds are not yet put in Suit: But I have ſince been informed, that Mr. *Benj. Nichols* hath found ſeveral of ſaid Mortgage Deeds that were miſſing. I farther inform your Honors, that there is a great Number of *non eſt* Intereſt Bonds which were out before the Year 1738, which I imagine cannot, by Law, be annexed to the Mortgage Deeds. I find there are forty-five Bonds againſt *John Dickinſon* under that Circumſtance, amounting in the whole to Seven Hundred and Forty-five Pounds Ten Shillings; and there is likewiſe a conſiderable Number of *non eſt* Intereſt Bonds againſt ſundry other Perſons that are upon the ſame Foot that ſaid *Dickinſon*'s Bonds are.

Warwick, Feb. the 12th, A. D. 1760.

All which is ſubmitted by OTHNIEL GORTON."

Unto which Report, the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* ſubjoined an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, and Expences, in performing the Services in his Report mentioned. And the Premiſſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Report aforeſaid be, and hereby is accepted; that the Account aforeſaid be allowed, and Sixty-one Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, paid the aforeſaid *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Jabez Bowen*, *Job Tripp*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. were appointed by this Aſſembly, at their laſt Seſſion, to enquire what Town or Towns are by Law obliged to erect a Bridge over *Hunt*'s River, *and ſo forth*. In Conformity whereto, the ſaid *Jabez Bowen* and *James Helme* undertook the Service, and made a Report unto this Aſſembly, adding an Account of Thirty-nine Pounds Nine Shillings and Four Pence, charged againſt the Colony, for their Time, Trouble, and Expences: And the Premiſſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the above-mentioned Report be not accepted, yet the Sum aforeſaid, ſhall be paid the ſaid *Jabez Bowen* and *James Helme* out of the General Treaſury.

And farther it is Voted and Reſolved, That the Towns of *Warwick* and *Eaſt-Greenwich* erect and maintain at their own Coſt and Charge, a good and ſubſtantial Abutment for a Bridge, on the North Side of *Hunt*'s *River*; that the Town of *North-Kingstown*, at their own Coſt and Charge, erect and maintain another good and ſubſtantial Abutment for a Bridge on the South Side of the ſaid River: That the Abutments to be ſo erected, ſhall be thirty Feet aſunder: And that the Government at their own proper Coſt and Charge, lay a good ſubſtantial Wooden Bridge over the River aforeſaid, from one of the ſaid Abutments to the other.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *John Tillinghaſt*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

What follows is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned it.

" *Eaſt-*

February, 1760.

" *East-Greenwich, Feb. the 4th, A. D.* 1760.

" WE the Subſcribers, being by the Honorable General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee to digeſt and put in the beſt Order we could, the Papers, Files, and every Thing elſe belonging to the Office of the Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, for the County of *Kent*, and make Report, have, in Obedience to our ſaid Appointment, examined, digeſted, and put in the beſt Order we can, the aforeſaid Papers, *&c.* and find there are no Judgments recorded ſince *July* Term, *A. D.* 1754, and but a ſmall Part of the Caſes tried at that Court. The Docquet for *January* Term, 1755, miſſing, and likewiſe ſome Deficiency in the Papers of almoſt every Court, ſince it hath been a Court. OTHNIEL GORTON.
D. HOWLAND."

Unto which Report, the Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit :

" *COLONY*, - - *Dr.*---

TO nine Days Service each, in examining and digeſting ſaid Papers at Five Pounds *per* Day each, £. 90 0 0

OTHNIEL GORTON, D. HOWLAND."

And the Premiſſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Report be, and hereby is accepted ; that the above Account of the Committee be allowed, and the Sum of Ninety Pounds by them charged againſt the Colony, paid unto the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* and *Daniel Howland*, Eſqrs: out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Arnold*, Eſq; and Mr. *Nathaniel Jilſon* be, and they are hereby appointed to receive of Col. *John Andrews*, the Six Hundred Pounds which was granted by this Aſſembly at their laſt Seſſion, to the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, for repairing *Wanſoket* Bridge.

An ACT for raiſing *One Thouſand Dollars* by a Lottery, in Order to purchaſe a certain Lot of Land in the Town of *Providence*, whereon to erect a Court Houſe.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly hath ordered a Court Houſe *to be erected in the Town of* Providence, *where a Lot of Land may be purchaſed, very commodious and ſuitable for ſetting the ſaid* Court Houſe *upon*, at the Price of One Thouſand Dollars,

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That a Lottery of two Claſſes be opened and ſet forth in the ſaid Town of *Providence*, to raiſe the Sum of *One Thouſand Dollars* for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, which ſhall be drawn as ſoon as conveniently may be : And that the following be the Scheme of the Firſt Claſs, conſiſting of Three Thouſand Three Hundred and Thirty-four Tickets, whereof Nine Hundred and Seventy-nine are to be fortunate, to wit :

1	of	200	is	200
1	of	150	is	150
4	of	100	are	400
6	of	50	are	300
10	of	30	are	300
40	of	10	are	400
917	of	3	are	2751

979 P. to be applied tow purchaſing the Lot, 500
2355 Blanks.

3334 Tickets, at 1 Dollar and an half, are 5001

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Meſſi'rs *Allin Brown*, *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Benjamin Cuſhing*, *Darius Seſſions*, *William Smith*, and *David Harris* be, and they are hereby conſtituted Directors of the ſaid Lottery, with full Power to ſign the Tickets, diſpoſe of the ſame, draw the Lottery, pay off the Prizes, and to do, act, tranſact, and perform every other Thing needful and neceſſary to be done, acted, tranſacted, or performed, for finiſhing and compleating the ſaid Lottery; they giving Bond unto the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Performance of the Truſt to them committed: Provided, and this Act is paſſed on Condition, that a good and lawful Deed of the Lot aforeſaid, be made to the Colony for the Uſe aforeſaid

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Act made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport*, on Monday the Eleventh of *June* laſt, for raiſing Two Thouſand Dollars to build a Court Houſe in *Providence*, and purchaſe a *Library* by Way of Lottery, be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

An ACT for raiſing by Way of Lottery, the Sum of Twenty-four Thouſand Pounds, in Bills of Credit of the Old-Tenor, to be appropriated for the Erecting a *handſom Building*, of two Stories, in the Town of *Newport*; the lower Part to be appropriated for a *Market Houſe forever*, and the upper to be made and converted into *Stores*, *and ſo forth*.

WHEREAS Meſſi'rs Henry Collins, Joſias Lyndon, *and* Henry Ward, *in Behalf of themſelves and others, the Proprietors of the* Long Wharf *in the Town of* Newport, *preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Proprietors being ſenſible of the general Benefit that would accrue unto the ſaid Town, from a convenient well ſituated* Market Houſe; *and taking alſo into Conſideration, the great Advantage the Poor of the ſaid Town would, in an eſpecial Manner, reap from a* public Grainary, *did, at their Meeting holden on the twentieth Day of the current Month, paſs a Vote as followeth, to wit:* "*That the* "*Lot of Land in* Newport *belonging to the Proprietors, being in Front*, "*upon* Thames Street, *Thirty-eight Feet, and extending from ſaid Street* "*Weſterly, Fifty Feet, be, and it is hereby granted to the Town of* New-"port, *for erecting thereon a handſom Building; the lower Part to be*

"*appropriated*

" *appropriated for a* Market Houſe forever, *and to no other Uſe whatſo-*
" *ever, unleſs it ſhall be found convenient to improve ſome Part of it for a*
" *Watch Houſe, and that the upper Part of ſaid Building be made into*
" *convenient Stores for dry Goods, and let out to the beſt Advantage; and*
" *that all the Rents thereof, together with all other Profits that ſhall ariſe*
" *on ſaid Building, ſhall be lodged in the Town Treaſury, to be applied to*
" *the purchaſing Grain, as a perpetual Fund for ſupplying a* public Grain-
" ary *for the Uſe of ſaid Town; and that the ſaid Building be erected agree-*
" *able to a Plan that ſhall be approved of by the Proprietors; the Coſt of*
" *which to be eſtimated at Twenty-four Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor: And*
" *that Meſſ'rs* Henry Collins, Joſias Lyndon, *and* Henry Ward, *be appointed*
" *a Committee to preſent a Petition to the General Aſſembly for a Lottery or*
" *Lotteries to raiſe that Sum, and ſign the ſame in Behalf of the Propriet-*
" *tors, and alſo draw and preſent a Scheme to the Aſſembly with ſaid Petition.*"
And thereupon the ſaid Henry Collins, Joſias Lyndon, *and* Henry Ward, *prayed for Liberty to open and ſet forth a Lottery or Lotteries for the Uſes aforeſaid, and that the Directors may be impowered to divide the ſame into as many Claſſes as they ſhall think moſt conducive for the propoſed End.*
And this Aſſembly being deſirous to countenance and encourage ſo laudable a Deſign,

DO ENACT, and by the Authority veſted in them, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and the Scheme by them preſented, with their Petition, approved: And that *Peter Bours, Thomas Cranſton, Joſias Lyndon*, Eſqrs. Meſſi'rs *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) and *Thomas Robinſon*, Lieut. Col. *Job Bennet*, and Mr. *John Deckray*, or any Five of them, be, and hereby are conſtituted Directors to ſign the Tickets, diſpoſe of the ſame, draw the Lottery, pay off the Prizes, and to do, act, tranſact, and perform every other Thing neceſſary to compleat the Deſign of raiſing a ſufficient Sum for erecting and finiſhing the propoſed Building: And that the ſaid Directors give Bond to the General Treaſurer for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them.

What follows is the Scheme of the Firſt Claſs of the Lottery hereby granted. It was preſented with the Petition, and is to conſiſt of Six Thouſand Six Hundred Tickets, at *Six Pounds Old-Tenor* each; of which Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-five are to be fortunate, as followeth, to wit:

1	of	1800	is	1800
1	of	1200	is	1200
1	of	600	is	600
5	of	300	are	1500
6	of	240	are	1440
8	of	180	are	1440
10	of	120	are	1200
33	of	60	are	1980
90	of	48	are	4320
1710	of	12	are	20520
1865 Prizes, amount to				36000
4735 Blanks.				
6600 at Six Pounds each,				£. 39600
Deduct for the Market Houſe, &c.				3600
				£. 36000

Whereas

Whereas Mr. *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly at their Seſſions in *February*, *May*, and *June* laſt; for printing the Rate Bill ordered at the Seſſion laſt mentioned, and for furniſhing Paper on thoſe Occaſions; for printing Two Hundred Proclamations and providing Paper, by Order of his Honor the Governor, and for printing and providing Paper for One Hundred Copies of the Bill propoſed to be paſſed into "an Act, for veſting and diſtributing Inteſtate Eſtates:" And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed, and that Three Hundred and Forty Pounds, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury,

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An ACT for raiſing One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men, to proceed on an Expedition againſt his Majeſty's Enemies ſtill remaining in *Canada*, and ſupplying the Treaſury for the neceſſary Charges thereof.

WHEREAS this Aſſembly hath receiv'd Advice, by a Letter bearing Date the ſeventh Day of January *laſt, from the Right Honorable* William Pitt, *Eſq; one of his Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State, That it is the King's Will and Pleaſure, that the War be ſtill carried on in* North-America; *and that the moſt vigorous and extenſive Efforts be made for the Reduction of* Montreal *and other Places in* Canada, *ſtill remaining in the Enemy's Poſſeſſion: And being truly ſenſible of his Majeſty's gracious Intentions therein, and ready to contribute their Aſſiſtance to the utmoſt of their Power, and co-operate with the other Forces, for promoting ſo important a Service,*

THEY DO ENACT, and by the Authority of this General Aſſembly, It is Enacted, That *One Thouſand able-bodied effective Men, Officers included, be forthwith raiſed in this Colony*; to be employed in his Majeſty's Service, until the *End of the enſuing Campaign*, and *no longer*: That they be formed into one Regiment, over which ſhall be appointed one Colonel, one Lieutenant Colonel, and a Major, and conſiſt of Ten Companies; each of which, ſhall be commanded by one Captain, two Lieutenants, and an Enſign, excepting three of the ſaid ten Companies, which ſhall be under the immediate Command of the three Field Officers, and have only two Lieutenants and one Enſign to each: All of whom ſhall be choſen and appointed by this Aſſembly. *Provided Nevertheleſs*, that no Officer ſhall receive his Commiſſion, until he ſhall have inliſted the following Number of Soldiers, to wit: Each Captain, Twenty; each Firſt Lieutenant, Fifteen; each Second Lieutenant, Twelve; and each Enſign, Eight. *Yet notwithſtanding the 'foregoing Proviſo*, if any Officer ſhall make it appear to the Governor and Council, that he hath diligently and honeſtly done his Duty, in endeavouring to raiſe his Compliment of Men, he ſhall receive his Commiſſion, altho' he may have failed therein.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Officers of the Regiment ſhall receive the following Monthly Wages and

and Allowances in the Bills of this Colony called *Lawful Money, and no other*, to wit: The *Colonel*, Fifteen Pounds; the *Lieutenant Colonel*, Twelve Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; the *Major*, Ten Pounds Thirteen Shillings; each *Captain*, Eight Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence; each *Lieutenant*, Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; each *Enſign*, Four Pounds Fourteen Shillings; each *Sergeant* and *Drummer*, Two Pounds Ten Shillings; and each *Corporal*, Two Pounds Five Shillings.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Six Shillings of the like Money be allowed and paid to any Officer, or other Perſon, who ſhall inliſt a good able-bodied effective Soldier.

AND for the Encouragement of Men to inliſt, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every able-bodied effective Man, who will inliſt into this Service, ſhall receive a Bounty of Nine Pounds Lawful Money, Six Pounds whereof to be paid on his Inliſtment, and the Remainder at the Time of his marching; and ſhall alſo receive one good Blanket, one Knapſack, and be provided with Billeting, from the Time of his Inliſtment until he leaves the Colony, at the Rate of Eight Shillings Lawful Money *per* Week, and ſhall receive Two Pounds Lawful Money *per* Month Wages; and farther, his Perſon, Eſtate, and Bail, if any he hath, ſhall, during his Continuance in the Service, be exempted from all Arreſts and Executions, and releaſed from Confinement for any Debt not exceeding Twenty Pounds Lawful Money, due to one Perſon.

AND for ſupplying the Treaſury with a Sum ſufficient to carry this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That there be emitted and unmediately put into the Treaſury, *Sixteen Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money*, to be printed from Types, and in the following Form, to wit: "The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by "the Treaſurer of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty Shillings *Lawful* "*Money*, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for one Ounce "of Silver, with Intereſt at Five *per Cent. per Annum*, on or before the "tenth Day of *March*, *A. D.* 1765. By Order of Aſſembly, the tenth "Day of *March*, 1760."

AND be it farther Enacted, That the ſaid Bills be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Two Shillings, One Shilling, Nine Pence, and Six Pence: That an equal Number of Bills of each Denomination, be ſtruck off, and ſigned by any Three of the Perſons heretofore appointed for ſigning the Lawful Money: Which Bills when finiſhed, ſhall be received by the Officers and Soldiers in all Payments for Bounties and Wages.

AND for the calling in and redeeming the ſaid Bills, *It is farther Enacted*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time or Times, that the whole may be collected and brought into the General Treaſury in Seaſon, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills, with the Intereſt thereon, before or upon the tenth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-five:- And that the whole of the Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied

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in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence *per* Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value; and that the Gold and Silver ſo receiv'd into the Treaſury, be immediately applied for the Redemption of the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the Payment of the Wages of the Officers and Soldiers to be raiſed as aforeſaid, upon their Return from the Expedition, the Sum of Fifteen Thouſand Five Hundred and Forty-ſeven Pounds Lawful Money, be raiſed by a Tax, to be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in any of the Bills heretofore emitted, to be collected and brought into the Treaſury before or upon the laſt Day of *October* next.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall diſcourage any Perſon from inliſting, and be convicted thereof before any Juſtice of the Peace in the County where the Offence is committed, ſhall be fined the Sum of Five Pounds Lawful Money, or ſuffer thirty Days Impriſonment

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall ſecrete, conceal, or carry off any Soldier inliſted as aforeſaid, ſhall ſuffer all the Pains and Penalties to be inflicted on ſuch Offenders according to the Laws of this Colony in thoſe Caſes heretofore made and provided.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Au thority aforeſaid, That whoſoever ſhall inliſt,, or perſuade, or entice any Perſon whatſoever, belonging to this Colony, to inliſt into the Service of either of the neighbouring Governments, or Colony of *New-York*, for the enſuing Campaign, or ſhall be any Ways aiding or aſſiſting therein, and be convicted thereof before any Court of General Seſſions of the Peace in this Colony, ſhall be fined Twenty Pounds Lawful Money: And the Juſtices of the Peace in this Colony, are hereby required to apprehend and impriſon, or bind over to the next Court of General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed, all ſuch Perſons as ſhall be found breaking this Law (his Majeſty's regular Troops excepted): And that one Half of all the aforementioned Fines be lodged in the General Treaſury, for the Colony's Uſe, and the other Half paid to the Informers.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer deliver unto the Committee of War, the Monies lodged in the Treaſury in Conſequence of this Act, or ſo much thereof as they may have Occaſion of, for the Purpoſes and Uſes aforeſaid: And that the Committee of War have the ſame Power and Authority in all Reſpects, for carrying this Act into Execution, as they have at any Time had by the Laws heretofore made: Excepting the Appointment of Officers; for which the Charter hath already preſcribed a Method.

WHEREAS there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony by Mr. *Richard Draper*, of *Boſton*, in the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, for furniſhing Paper and printing Thirty-two Copies of the Acts and Orders made and paſſed by the General

General Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Eaſt-Greenwich* on Monday the twentieth of *Auguſt* laſt. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money of the Province aforeſaid, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Richard* out of the General Treaſury; and that the Secretary draw the ſame, and ſend it unto him.

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged againſt the Colony by Meſſi'rs *Edes* and *Gill*, of *Boſton*, in the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, for furniſhing Paper and printing Thirty-two Copies of the Acts and Orders made and paſs'd by this Aſſembly at their laſt Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Six Pounds Lawful Money of the Province aforeſaid, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edes* and *Gill* out of the General Treaſury; and that the Secretary draw the ſame, and ſend it unto them.

An ACT in Addition to an Act made and paſs'd by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport*, on the third Monday of *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Twenty-nine, entituled, "An Act for eſtabliſhing Inferior Courts "of Common Pleas in the ſeveral Counties of this Colony,"

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That each reſpective Superior Court of Judicature, and Inferior Court of Common Pleas, in the ſeveral Counties of this Colony, ſhall have full Power and Authority to paſs Fines and common Recoveries as is uſual in the Courts of Law in that Part of *Great-Britain* heretofore called *England*; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary, in anywiſe, notwithſtanding.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That when the *Sterling Money*, granted by Parliament, and allotted to this Colony, ſhall arrive in *America*, his Honor the Governor receive the ſame, and giving proper Receipts, immediately lodge it in the General Treaſury, taking the Treaſurer's Receipt therefor: And that the ſaid Money be by the Treaſurer applied to the Payment of ſuch Money, of every Kind, as he hath hired of particular Perſons for the Colony's Uſe, and for redeeming all ſuch Treaſurer's Notes as are outſtanding.

Whereas *Job Clark* of *Charleſtown*, in the County of *Kings County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That about Eleven o'Clock of the Night that enſued the fourteenth Day of this Inſtant *February*, he had the Misfortune to have his Houſe deſtroyed by Fire, with the greater Part of his Houſhold Goods, all his Proviſions, Joiner's Tools, Three Hundred Pounds Worth of Joiner's Work ready finiſhed, and in Bills of Credit, to the Amount of Two Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds Old-Tenor, Eighty-three Pounds whereof conſiſted of Old-Tenor Bills, and the Remainder was Lawful Money: Whereupon the ſaid *Job* prayed for Relief. On due Enquiry into, and

Conſideration of the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Eighty-three Pounds *Old-Tenor* be allowed the aforeſaid *Job Clarke*, and paid him by the Treaſurer of the Grand Committee, out of the Money paid in as *Tenths*; that the ſame be deemed as burnt; and that the General Treaſurer pay the ſaid *Job* ſo much *Lawful Money* as is equal to the Sum of One Hundred and Forty-one Pounds *Old-Tenor*, and charge the ſame to the Colony.

Whereas it appears unto this Aſſembly by the Oath of *Stephen Peckham* of *Middletown*, in the County of *Newport*, that in or about the Month of *Auguſt*. One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, he put looſe into his Pocket two Bills emitted by this Colony, to wit; one of Five Pounds, and the other was a Twenty Shilling Bill of that Emiſſion which paſſeth Four for One, in all Nine Pounds Old-Tenor: That the Garment in which ſaid Bills were put, was afterwards boiled and waſhed in his Family, who knew nothing of the ſaid Bills being in the Pocket: By Means whereof, the Bills were ſo broken and crumbled, that he could make no Advantage of them: And the Remains of the ſaid Bills being burnt in the Preſence of this Aſſembly, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer of the Grand Committee pay the aforeſaid *Stephen Peckham* the Sum of Nine Pounds out of the Money paid to the ſaid Treaſurer for Tenths, and that the ſame be deemed as burnt.

Whereas Capt. *Jabez Champlin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing and cleanſing a Number of Guns and Piſtols belonging to the Government: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and is hereby allowed, and that Fifty-one Pounds Nineteen Shillings, the Amount of it, be paid the ſaid *Jabez Champlin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, two Accounts charged by Mr. *Joſeph Bucklin* againſt Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, for repairing the great Bridge in the Town of *Providence*; which being duly examined, the ſaid *Joſeph Sheldon* paid the ſame: On Conſideration whereof, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Accounts be, and hereby are allowed, and that Nine Hundred and Thirteen Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence, the Amount of them, be allowed unto the ſaid *Joſeph Sheldon*, and indorſed upon his Bond in the Hands of the General Treaſurer; and that he the ſaid *Joſeph* be, and hereby is appointed to have the Care and Overſight of the Bridge aforeſaid for the future.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers to command the Regiment by this Aſſembly ordered to be raiſed for the enſuing Campaign.

Field Officers.

Chriſtopher Harris, Eſq; Colonel; *John Whiting*, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel; and *Thomas Burket*, Eſq; Major.

Captains.

Meſſi'rs *Samuel Roſe*, *Chriſtopher Hargil*, *Nathaniel Peck*, *Thomas Fry*, jun. *Giles Ruſſel*, *Thomas Tew*, and *Joſhua Brown*.

February, 1760.

First Lieutenants.

Meſſi'rs *Tibbits Hopkins*, *Jeremiah Shaw*, jun. *Jonathan Spear*, *Caleb Tripp*, *Samuel Stoneman*, *Thomas Roſe*, *Samuel Watſon* (of *Exeter*) *Moſes Warren*, *Iſrael Peck*, and *William Pulling*.

Second Lieutenants.

Meſſi'rs *Thomas Collins*, *Daniel Byrn*, *Aſa Kimbal*, *William Eldred*, *George Cornel* (Son of *Clarke*) *Solomon Roffey*, *Aſa Bowdiſh*, *Jeffry Wilcox*, *Abner Weſt*, and *Mitchel Caſe*.

Enſigns.

Meſſi'rs *Peleg Slocum*, *John Manchеſter*, *Arthur Fenner* (of *Cranſton*) *Records Tabor*, *James Pearſe*, *Tamberlin Campbell*, *Stukely Stafford*, *Hezekiah Saunders*, *Othniel Tripp*, and *Thomas Mitchel*.

Lieutenant *Samuel Stoneman*, Adjutant.

Mr. *Oliver Helme*, Commiſſary.

Mr. *Thomas Rodman* (Son of *Clarke Rodman*, late of *Newport*, Phyſician, deceas'd) Surgeon.

Mr. *EdwardCroſs*, an Enſign in the Room of the above-named *Hezekiah Saunders*, who refuſed.

And *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; is added to the Committee of War.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and hereby is requeſted to direct the Colony's Agent at the Court of *Great-Britain*, to apply for the Forty Shillings Sterling *per* Head, for the Seamen raiſed in this Colony the laſt Year, and ſent to the Fleet up the River of *St. Lawrence*, agreeable to Admiral *Durell*'s Letter.

An ACT for the Encouragement of Deſerters to return to their Duty, and to prevent Deſertion for the future.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all Deſerters, who ſurrender themſelves unto any one of the Committee of War, before the twentieth Day of *March* next, ſhall be, and hereby are pardoned for ſuch their Offence of Deſertion; and ſhall from the Time of ſurrendering themſelves go into the Service, be entitled to ſuch Wages, Billeting, and other Privileges (Bounty excepted) as the other Soldiers are entitled to: But ſhall not be allowed or paid any Wages or Billeting due before their Deſertion, to the Time of Surrender.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War cauſe proper Liſts to be made of the Names of ſuch as ſhall be afterwards inliſted: One of which ſhall be be delivered to the Naval Officer of this Colony, to be by him hung up, in public View, in his Office: And that no Veſſel of any Kind ſhall be cleared out at the ſaid Office, until the Maſter hath given Bond to the Naval Officer in his ſaid Capacity, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, in the penal Sum of One Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, under this Condition, to wit; that the ſaid Maſter ſhall not carry, nor ſuffer to go away in his Veſſel, any Soldier that is or ſhall be engaged in the Colony's Service: That the *Collector of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms* ſhall not clear

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out any Veſſel in his Office, on any Pretence whatſoever, until he hath receiv'd a Certificate from the Naval-Officer, that Bond hath been given in his Office agreeable to this Act: And that his Honor the Governor grant no Commiſſion unto any private Veſſel of War, 'till the Captain hath given Bond, with ſufficient Sureties, in the penal Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, in the Secretary's Office, that no Soldier ſhall be carried away in ſuch Veſſel of War: And that no private Veſſel of War belonging to and commiſſioned by any other Government, ſhall be permitted to inliſt any Men in this Colony, until the Commander give Bond in Manner aforeſaid, on Pain of forfeiting the like Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds to and for the Uſe of the Colony.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War cauſe the Subſtance of this Act to be printed in the *Newport Mercury*; and alſo cauſe Advertiſements, with every Deſerter's Name inſerted therein, to be ſet up in every Town of the Colony: And laſtly, that they the ſaid Committee of War, cauſe all the Acts of this Government reſpecting Soldiers, to be carried into due Execution.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all and every of the Perſons who have deſerted from the Service of this Colony, and do not ſurrender themſelves as aforeſaid, ſhall be treated as *Deſerters*; and, upon their being apprehended, forthwith ſent up to the Army.

AND it is farther Enacted, That every Perſon who ſhall apprehend any one of the ſaid Deſerters, after the aforeſaid twentieth Day of *March*, and deliver him up to any one of the Committee of War, ſhall receive a Reward of *Forty Shillings Lawful Money of this Colony*: And all Juſtices of the Peace and other Officers of the Government, are hereby directed and required to ſee this Act carried into Execution.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That what is due to the Officers and Soldiers of this Colony, for their Services in the laſt Campaign, be paid them reſpectively, out of the Sixteen Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*, by this Aſſembly ordered to be emitted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Commiſſary, by this Aſſembly appointed for the Regiment now ordered to be raiſed, for the enſuing Campaign, be under the ſame Regulation, and the like Bonds, as the Commiſſary for the laſt Campaign was laid under.

Whereas Mr. *Oliver Helme* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for waſhing and ſanding the Court Houſe in the County of *Kings County*; for Wood and Candles by him furniſhed for the Superior Court, and General Aſſembly, at their Seſſions in *October* laſt; for the like at this Seſſion; and for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly at both of the ſaid Seſſions: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifty-three Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Oliver Helme* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

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Whereas *Gideon Fowler* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon them during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Fowler* out of the General Treaſury

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War, or the major Part of them, provide a Doctor's Cheſt, with ſuitable Medicines, on the beſt Terms they can, for the Regiment ordered to be raiſed in this Colony for the enſuing Campaign: And alſo enquire after the laſt Doctor's Cheſt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within forty, ſend Copies of the ſame unto the ſeveral Officers, who, by the Laws of this Colony, are appointed to receive and take Charge of them: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor; but if not called before nor at the ſaid Day, that then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the tenth Day of March, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined. WITNESS *Tho Ward Secry*

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MAY, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Day before the General Election, being Tueſday the ſixth of *May*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and Thirty-third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN. Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.
} Aſſiſt.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
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Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*,

Portſmouth
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
William Earl, Eſq;
Mr. *Reſtcome Sanford*.

Warwick;
None.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;

Capt. *Nathan Babcock.*
Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Edward Sands.*
North-Kingſtown ;
Col. *Immanuel Northup,*
South-Kingſtown ;
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Haſzard.*
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
None.
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *John Eldred,*
Mr. *John Gardner.*
Smithfield ;
None.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt.*
Gloceſter ;
None.
Charleſtown ;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin.*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Coventry ; *None.*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds.*
Job Tripp, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *John Clarke.*
Briſtol ;
None.
Tiverton :
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons.*
Warren ;
None.
Cumberland ;
None.
Richmond ;
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Maj. *Richard Bailey,*
Cranſton ;
None.
Hopkinton ;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
Johnſton ;
None.

THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; was choſen Speaker : And

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS all and every of the Perſons, whoſe Names are inſerted in the ſubſequent Roll, have taken the Oath or Affirmation, preſcribed by the Law of this Colony, againſt Bribery and Corruption in chooſing Public Officers, as it appears by proper Returns from the reſpective Town Clerks. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved,* That they, and every of them, be, and hereby are admitted Freemen of the Colony, and conſequently may give their Votes to chooſe Officers, not only in their reſpective Towns, but alſo in the Choice of General Officers.

NEWPORT ;

Robert Lillibridge, Robert Lillibridge, jun. *John Forreſter, Caleb Godfrey,* jun. *Nathan Bull, Thomas Robinſon, Thomas Arnold, William Giles, Alanſon Gibbs, James Card, Norbert Wigneron,* jun. *Joſeph Aborn, Ephraim Smith, Ichabod Potter, William Wanton,* (Son of *Joſeph Wanton,* Eſq;) *Joſeph Arnold, Joſeph Huntington, David Brayton, Caleb Jeffers, Jeremiah Hall, Samuel Brenton, James Brenton, John Mawdſley, James Weaver, Henry Gardner,* jun. *and Gideon Davenport.*

PROVIDENCE ;

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George Rounds, Aſa Fiſk, Moſes Brown, Joſhua Spooner, Henry Starling, Samuel Wall, Ezek Eddy, Thomas Hammond, Nathan Arnold, Saunders Pitman, John Salliſbury, Nathaniel Balch, Abraham Hawkins, Arthur Weſtcott, Benjamin Harding, Benjamin Brown, Barnabas Carr, Ebenezer Thompſon, Benjamin Olney, Nathaniel Greene, and *Thomas Lindſey*

PORTSMOUTH;

Joſhua Allen, John Shelden, James Greenman, Earl Weſtgate, and Thomas Cook.

WARWICK;

Olney Rice, William Keyes, and William Colegrove.

WESTERLY;

Jeſſe Babcock, John Teft, Ebenezer Hall, John Lewis, John Brand, Sylveſter Pendleton, John Varſe, Ephraim ~~Hiſcox~~, Nathan Hiſcox and William Gavit.

NEWSHOREHAM;

John Mott and Joſiah Sheffield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Fones Smith, James Smith, Ezekiel Gardner, *jun.* and James Congdon *(Son of Joſeph)*.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Thomas Smith, Samuel Haſzard, Henry Williams, Caleb Chappel, Thomas Steadman, *jun.* and Thomas Carpenter, *jun.*

EAST-GREENWICH;

Peleg Weaver, Thomas Spencer *(Son of Abner)* Benjamin Spencer. *(Son of William)* and William Soule.

JAMESTOWN;

Azariah Tew. and Samuel Slocum, *jun.*

SMITHFIELD;

Daniel Read, Stephen Goldthwayte, Jonathan Comſtock, Philip Mowrey, *jun.* Daniel Matthewſon, Luke Arnold, and Jacob Wilkinſon.

SCITUATE;

John Potter, John Taylor *(Son of Thomas)* Benjamin Carpenter, John Durfee, William Randall, Jeremiah Fiſk, John Mowrey, Robert Baxter, Thomas Saliſbury, Maſon Hulet, Amos Hammond *(the third)*, Samuel Sprague, Abner Willbur, David Hopkins and John Bennett.

GLOCESTER;

Enos Eddy, Elijah Hawkins, Hoſanna Brown, jun. Joſeph Harris, William Dean, John Grover, Edward Carpenter, Charles Aldrich, Dudley Wade, Samuel Thornton, Paul Wheelock, William Martin, John Barns, Benajah Whipple, Eleazer Bowen, Jacob Walling, John Walling, *jun.* John Aginton, Iſaac Benſon, Edward Inman, *jun.* Joſeph Barns, Benoni Tucker, Arnold Lewis, Jeſſe Brown, and Thomas Thornton.

CHARLESTOWN;

Charles Church.

WEST-GREENWICH;

Robert Haſzard, Jonathan Capron, Edward Burliſon, Henry Sweet, Oliver Myus, Thomas Matteſon, Jeremiah Auſtin, Iſhmael Spink and Robert Hall

COVENTRY

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Jeremiah Blanchard, William Oſborn, Griffin Sweet and John Nichols.

EXETER;

Caleb Gardner, *jun.* Oliver Colegrove, Job Babcock, Andrew Aldrich, Benoni Albro, Oliver Reynolds, Solomon Sprague, William James, Job Wilcox, Robert Wilcox, Paſko Auſtin, *jun.* Samuel Weight, *(the Third)* Caleb Weeden, Iſhmael Wilcox, Thomas Mumford, Oliver Reynolds, and Jonathan Reynolds.

MIDDLETOWN;

Saliſbury Stoddard and Joſeph Peckham.

BRISTOL;

Thomas Peck, Grindal Reynolds and Allen Uſher.

TIVERTON;

Jonathan Greenhill, Nathaniel Greenhill, and Daniel Dwelly

LITTLE-COMPTON;

Fobes Little, *jun.* William Davenport and Joſeph Saliſbury

WARREN;

William Arnold, John Petty, Benjamin Miller, *jun.* James Miller, Caleb Child, Samuel Kent, John Adams, *jun.* and Eliſha Phinney.

CUMBERLAND;

Chriſtopher Shippee, Jonathan Nutting, Benjamin Goold, Iſaac Kelly, Samuel Blanding, Nathaniel Goold, Daniel Miller, *jun.* Ephraim Blanding, and Roger Alexanders.

RICHMOND;

John Webb and Thomas Kinyon, *jun.*

CRANSTON;

William Knight, *jun.* John Sheldon, Philip Potter, Zuriel Waterman, Joſeph Baker, Thomas Baker, Stephen Arnold and Jabez Burlingham.

HOPKINTON:

Benajah Slack, William Bennet, Benjamin Auſtin, Nathan Tanner, Joſhua Whitford, Iſrael Bromley, Joſeph Collins, Simeon Babcock, Oliver Babcock, *jun.* John Babcock, Joſeph Babcock, Elias Burdick, Sylvanus Maxſon and Caleb Ney.

JOHNSTON;

William Latham, Samuel Henry, Thomas Gibbs Iſrael Carpenter, John Colwell, *jun.* Thomas Clements, Abraham Matthewſon, Joſeph Harris, Jeſſe Sprague, Daniel Hawkins and Caleb Vincent.

May, 1760.

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JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;

Aſſiſt.
JOSEPH EDMUNDS, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
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Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*,
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

Portſmouth;
Mr. *John Shearman*, jun.
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
William Earl, Eſq;
Mr. *Reſtcome Sanford*.

Warwick;
Capt. *Randal Rice*.
Mr. *James Rhodes*,
Mr. *Thomas Wickes*, (*Son of John*)
Maj. *Henry Rice*.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;

Capt. *Nathan Babcock.*
Newſhoreham;
Capt. *Edward Sands.*
North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup,*
Capt. *Daniel Fones.*
South-Kingſtown,
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Haſzard*
Eaſt-Greenwich;
Maj. *John Arnold,*
Maj. *James Wightman.*
Jameſtown;
Mr. *John Eldred,*
Mr. *John Gardner.*
Smithfield;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq:
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey.*
Scituate;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt.*
Gloceſter;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Mr. *Silas Williams.*
Charleſtown;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin.*
Capt. *Robert Potter,*
Weſt-Greenwich;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Coventry;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter.*
Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds.*
Job Tripp, Eſq;
Middletown
Mr. *Samuel Baley,*
Mr. *John Clarke.*
Briſtol
Mr. *Simon Davis.*
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds*
Tiverton:
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Philip Tabor, Eſq:
Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons.*
Warren;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey,*
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq:
Cumberland;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq:
Richmond;
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Maj. *Richard Bailey,*
Cranſton;
Capt. *Richard Searle,* jun.
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
Hopkinton;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke,*
Capt. *Edward Wells,* jun.
Johnſton;
Henry Harris, Eſq:
Richard Fenner, Eſq;

THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; was choſen Speaker: And

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the anniverſary Election of Officers both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, to wit.

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS,* Eſq; Governor; *Engag'd*
The Hon JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Dep. Governor; *Engag'd,*
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant, *Engag'd.*
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant, *Engag'd.*
Jabez Bowen, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant, *Engag'd.*

Nicholas

Nicholas Cooke, Eſq; Fourth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
William Richmond, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant, *Engag'd.*
Francis Willet, Eſq; Ninth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Henry Gardner, Eſq; (Son of *Nicholas*) Tenth Aſſiſtant; *Engag'd.*
Thomas Ward, Eſq; Secretary, *Engag'd.*
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General, *Engag'd.*
Thomas Richardſon, Eſq; General Treaſurer, *Engag'd.*

His Honor *the Dep. Governor*, Chief
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; Second
William Richmond, Eſq; Third
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq, Fourth
Joſeph, Clarke, Eſq; Fifth
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Joſeph Wanton, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Andrews, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Joſeph Haſzard, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County.*

Thomas Greene, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol.*

Benoni Waterman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Job Bennett, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

Barzillai Richmond, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

Joſeph Stanton, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County.*

Nathaniel Pearſe, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol.*

James Arnold, jun. Eſq; Lieut. Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Jonathan Otis, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport.*

John Angel, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence.*

George Wightman, jun. Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County.*

Joſiah Humphrey, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of the County of *Briſtol.*

James Wightman, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent.*

Edward Scott, *Peter Bours*, *William Earl*, *Jonathan Freeborn*, *and Thomas Gould*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport.*

Daniel Jenckes, *Job Randal*, *Thomas Lapham*, *Richard Steere*, *and Thomas Arnold*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas

Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace within and for the County of *Providence*,

Stephen Haſzard, *Immanuel Northup*, *Chriſtopher Champlin*, *Thomas Brown*, *and Benoni Hall*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings-County*.

Matthew Allen, *James Smith*, *Nathaniel Munro*, *Nathaniel Pearce*, and *John Kinnicutt*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Philip Greene, *William Spencer*, *Othniel Gorton*, *Caleb Greene*, and *Joſeph Nichols*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace within and for the County of Kent.

Clerks of the Superior Courts of Judicature, Courts of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery within and for the Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

John Grelea, jun. Eſq; *Newport*.
John Foſter, jun. Eſq; *Providence*.
Benedict Helme, Eſq; *Kings-County*.
John Uſher, jun. Eſq; *Briſtol*.
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq; *Kent*.

CLERKS of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace within and for the Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; *Newport*.
Mr. Nicholas Brown, *Providence*.
Mr. Stephen Haſzard, jun. *Kings-County*.
Royal Paine, Eſq; *Briſtol*.
Daniel Howland, Eſq; *Kent*.

SHERIFFS of the ſeveral Counties, aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

George Gardner, Eſq; *Newport*; Engag'd
Allen Brown, Eſq; *Providence*; Engag'd.
Beriah Brown, Eſq; *Kings County*; Engag'd.
Nathaniel Boſworth, Eſq; *Briſtol*, Engag'd.
Stephen Arnold, Eſq; *Kent*.

The Hon. Gideon Wanton, Eſq; Benjamin Nichols, James Sheffield, Obadiah Brown, Samuel Chace, James Arnold, and Nicholas Eaſton, Eſquires, the Grand Committee, or Colony's Truſtees for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And the aforeſaid Benjamin Nichols is choſen, and eſpecially appointed to take and have the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths; and to receive the Money due, and to be due thereon: and alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges

es upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe when he receives any of the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-payment, to put in Suit, the Bonds and Mortgages of all ſuch as refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

Mr. Edward Thurſton General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throughout the Government.

Henry Paget, Eſq. Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence*.

JUSTICES of the Peace in the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;

Martin Howard, Samuel Collins, Charles Bardin, Thomas Ward, Peter Eaſton, Joſeph Sylveſter, Barnabas Hargil, Daniel Goddard, John Grelea, jun. John Davis, jun. and Jonathan Eaſton, Eſqrs.

PROVIDENCE;

Joſeph Snow, Ebenezer Jenckes, James Angel, Samuel Nightingale, Samuel Cnace, and John Foſter, jun. Eſqrs.

PORTSMOUTH;

Robert Dennis, John Almy, Weſton Hickes and John Shearman jun. Eſqrs.

WARWICK;

John Warner, jun. Barlo Greene, Ebenezer Slocum, Richard Eſtis, Samuel Gorton, (*Son of Samuel*) Azrikam Pearce, and James Arnold, jun. Eſqrs.

WESTERLY;

William Herne, John Larkin, Richard Berry, Joſeph Crandal, Thomas Gardner, and James Bliven, Eſqrs.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Nicholas Northup, jun. William Hall (*Son of Robert*) Joſeph Caſe, Samuel Browning, jun. George Wightman, jun. and Ephraim Gardner, jun. Eſqrs.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Samuel Tefft, John Caſe, Job Babcock, William Browning, Jeremiah Crandal, John Lillibridge, and Adam Gould, Eſqrs.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Thomas Aldrich, Giles Pierce, Samuel Sowle, George Vaughan, Thomas Shippey, Benjamin Sweet and Edmund Andrews, Eſqrs.

SMITHFIELD;

William Arnold, Thomas Steere, Daniel Mowrey, Daniel Mowrey, jun. Stephen Sly, Samuel Winſor and Joſeph Kelly, Eſqrs.

SCITUATE.;

Gideon Harris, Charles Harris, John Fiſk, Samuel Dorrance, Jeremiah Angel, Benjamin Slack, Thomas Brown and Timothy Hopkins, Eſqrs.

GLOCESTER;

Andrew Brown, Thomas Barns, Benjamin Smith, Iſrael Arnold, Jonah Steere and Jonathan Harris, Eſqrs.

CHARLESTOWN;

Peleg Croſs, John Champlin, and Job Taylor, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;

William Comſtock, Samuel Hopkins, Iſaac Johnſon, Amos Staford,

ford, Oliver Mius, and Jedediah Aylſworth, Eſqrs.

COVENTRY;

Stephen Potter, John Greene, John Bucklin, and William Bates, Eſqrs.

EXETER;

Stephen Richmond, Samuel Albro, Benjamin Reynolds, Caleb Arnold, Daniel Barber, and Amos Gardner, Eſqrs.

MIDDLETOWN;

John Taylor, John Barker, and Joſeph Peabody, Eſqrs.

BRISTOL;

Shearjaſhub Bourn, Leverit Hubbard, Royal Paine, Hezekiah Uſher, and Samuel Church, Eſqrs.

TIVERTON;

Samuel Hickes, Philip Tabor, Reſtcome Sanford, Thomas Anthony, *(Son of Joſeph)* and Gideon Wilcox. Eſqrs.

LITTLE-COMPTON;

Joſeph Wood, Thomas Church, John Iriſh, and Conſtant Southworth, Eſqrs.

WARREN;

John Cole, James Brown, John Adams, Ebenezer Cole, and Joſhua Bicknal, Eſqrs.

CUMBERLAND;

Job Bartlet, John Dexter, Jeremiah Whipple, and Robert Aldrich, Eſqrs.

RICHMOND;

John Webſter, Samuel Tefft, Sylveſter Kinyon, Thomas Kinyon, and Edward Perry, Eſqrs.

CRANSTON;

William Burton, John Dexter, Matthew Mancheſter, and Thomas Potter, *(Son of John)* Eſqrs.

HOPKINTON;

Daniel M'Coon, Simeon Perry, Hezekiah Collins, Lawton Palmer, John Latham and John Maxſon; jun. Eſqrs.

JOHNSTON;

Henry Harris, Thomas Owen, Nathan Pearce, and Joſiah King, Eſqrs.

John Record, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of South-Kingſtown, in the Room of Jeremiah Crandal, Eſq; who refuſed.

COMMITTEE of War.

His Hon. the Deputy Governor, Daniel Jenckes, Thomas Cranſton, Peter Bours, Joſeph Haſzard, Nathan Rice, Abraham Smith, Nicholas Gardner, and Thomas Greene, Eſqrs.

William Mumford, Captain of the Fort.
John Beard, Lieutenant of the ſame.

Benjamin Sherburn, Captain; *Henry Sowle*, Lieutenant; *Peter Mumford*, Cornet; and *Iſaac Dayton*, Quarter-Maſter of the Firſt Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

Thomas,

Thomas Church, Captain; *Aaron Wilbore*, Lieutenant; *Job Almy*, (Son of Samuel) Cornet; and *Joſeph Taylor* Quarter-Maſter of the Second Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

Benjamin Bowen, Captain; *John Fenner*, Firſt Lieutenant, *James Hoil*, Second Lieutenant, and *Joſeph Naſh*, Cornet of the Troop of Horſe in the County of *Providence*.

Jonathan Otis, Eſq; refuſing to ſerve as Major of the Regiment in the County of *Newport*, *Benjamin Sherburn*, Eſq; was choſen in his Stead, and thereupon *Henry Sowle* was choſen Captain, *Peter Mumford* Lieutenant; *Iſaac Dayton* Cornet; and *Alexander Bradford* Quarter Maſter of the firſt Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

OFFICERS to command the reſpective Companies or Trained Bands in this Colony.

Newport. 1. Caleb Gardner, jun. *Captain*; Charles Spooner, *Lieutenant*; and John Gardner (*Son of William*) *Enſign*.

Joſeph Belcher, *Captain*; Thomas Richardſon, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Ebenezer Davenport, jun. *Enſign*.

3. Timothy Balch, *Captain*; Edward Simmons, *Lieutenant*; and May Davis, *Enſign*.

4. Jabez Champlin, *Captain*; Timotny Ingraham, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Howland, *Enſign*.

Providence. 1. Knight Dexter, *Captain*; Amos Atwell, *Lieutenant*; and Bernard Eddy, *Enſign*.

2. Thomas Whipple, jun. *Captain*; Benjamin Whipple, jun. *Lieutenant*; and William Brown, *Enſign*.

3. Stephen Jenckes, *Captain*; James Olney, *(Son of Joſeph) Lieutenant*; and Ephraim Wheaton, *Enſign*.

Portſmouth. 1. Benjamin Hail, *Captain*; Caleb Siſſon, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Cooke, *Enſign*.

2. Joſhua Allen, *Captain*; Thomas Allen, *Lieutenant*; and John Sheldon, *Enſign*.

Warwick. 1. William Warner, *Captain*; John Lippitt, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Stafford, *Enſign*.

2. Eliſha Wightman, *Captain*; Job Arnold, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Sweet, jun. *Enſign*.

3. Thomas Greene *(Son of Fones) Captain*; Stukely Stafford, *Lieutenant*; Ebenezer King, *Enſign*.

Weſterly. 1. Abraham Lewis, *Captain*; Matthew Maxſon, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Lewis, jun. *Enſign*.

2. James Bliven, *Captain*; Thomas Roſs, *Lieutenant*; and William Scrivens, *Enſign*.

New-Shoreham. George Gardner, *Captain*; Joſiah Sheffield, *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Littlefield, *(Son Son of Nathaniel) Enſign*.

North-Kingstown. 1. Palmer Tanner, *Captain*; Samuel Hunt, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Clarke, *Enſign*.

2. William Northup, *Captain*; John Sweet, *(Son of Benjamin, deceas'd) Lieutenant*; and Samuel Biſſel, *Enſign*.

South-Kingstown. 1. Charles Hull, *Captain*; Jonathan Babcock, *(Son of David) Lieutenant*; and Jonathan Card, *Enſign*.

2. Daniel Sherman, jun. *Captain*; Chriſtopher Gardner, jun. *Lieutenant*;

Lieutenant, and Thomas Gardner, jun. *Enſign.*

Eaſt-Greenwich. 1. Caleb Sheffield, *Captain*; Ebenezer Herrington, *Lieutenant*; Thomas Spencer, *(Son of Abner) Enſign.*

2. *Elijah Johnſon, Captain*; Samuel Sweet, *Lieutenant*, and Richard Briggs, *(Son of John) Enſign.*

Jameſtown. Samuel Slocum, *Captain*; Thomas Bentley, *Lieutenant*; and Benjamin Sheffield, jun. *Enſign.*

Smithfield. 1. Chriſtopher Brown, *Captain*; *John Wilkinſon, Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Mowrey, *Enſign.*

2. Stephen Arnold, *Captain*; Arnold Paine, *Lieutenant*; and Samuel Aldrich, jun. *Enſign.*

3. Joſeph Mowrey, jun. *Captain*; Chriſtopher Angel, *Lieutenant*; and Noah Smith, *Enſign.*

Scituate. 1. Nicholas Edwards, *Captain*; Ezekiel Phillips, *Lieutenant*, and Robert Potter, *Enſign.*

2. John Herrenden, *Captain*; Thomas Bennet, jun. *Lieutenaut*; and Nathaniel Herrenden, *Enſign.*

4. Hezekiah Walker, *Captain*; Joſeph Weatherhead, *Lieutenant*; and John Round, *Enſign.*

Gloceſter. 1, Chad Brown, *Captain*; William Hawkins, *Lieutenant*; and Richard Eddy, *Enſign.*

2. Noah Arnold, *Captain*; Eleazer Ballou, *Lieutenant*. and Silas Cooke, *Enſign.*

Charleſtown. 1. Tobias Saunders, *Captain*, Joſhua Card, *Lieutenant*; and Elijah Champlin, *Enſign.*

Weſt-Greenwich. 1. Job Spencer, *Captain*; Robert Carr, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph Hopkins, *(Son of William) Enſign.*

2. Shebna Spink, *Captain*; Amos Matteſon, *Lieutenant*; and George Dyre, *Enſign.*

3. Simeon Draper, *Captain*; Jedediah Aylſworth, *Lieutenant*; and Sylveſter Gardner, *Enſign.*

Coventry. 1. Joab Stafford, *Captain*; Joſeph Johnſon, *Lieutenant*; and Jonathan Matteſon, *Enſign.*

2. Iſrael Bowen, *Captain*; Robert Love, *Lieutenant*; and Samuel Greene, *Enſign.*

Exeter. 1. Job Babcock, *Captain*; William Gardner, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Weeden, *Enſign.*

2. Nathaniel Barber, *Captain*; Joſeph Rathbun, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Bently, *Enſign.*

Middletown. Jonathan Weeden, *Captain*; Silas Peckham, *Lieutenant*; and John Card, *Enſign.*

Briſtol. Nathaniel Cary, *Captain*; Daniel Bradford, *Lieutenant*; and Jonathan Peck, *Enſign.*

Tiverton. 1. Thomas Gray, jun. *Captain*; William Sanford, *Lieutenant*; and Thomas Corey, *Enſign.*

2. Oliver Cooke, *Captain*; Stephen Tallman, *Lieutenant*; and William Durfee, *(Son of Samuel) Enſign.*

Little-Compton. David Hillyard, *Captain*; Thomas Burgis, *Lieutenant*; and Henry Wood, *Enſign.*

Warren. 1. Thomas Cole, *Captain*; Benjamin Cole, *Lieutenant*; and John Kelly, jun. *Enſign.*

2. Samuel

2. Samuel Allen, *Captain*; James Bowen, *Lieutenant*: and John Low, *Enſign*.

Cumberland. 1. Nathaniel Whipple, *Captain*; Benjamin Tower, *Lieutenant*; and John Grant, *Enſign*.

2. Gideon Tower, *Captain*; Ariel Ballou, *Lieutenant*; and Daniel Whipple, jun. *Enſign*.

Richmond. Nicholas Larkin, *Captain*; Barnet Siſſon, *Lieutenant*; and John Thomas, *Enſign*.

Cranſton. 1. Richard Searle, jun. *Captain*; William Carpenter, jun. *Lieutenant*; and Zephaniah Randal, *Enſign*.

2. William Fenner. *Captain*; Peleg Arnold, *Lieutenant*; and Nathaniel Sprague, *Enſign*.

3. Peter Burlingham, *(the third) Captain*; Philip Burlingham, *Lieutenant*; and William Knight, jun. *Enſign*.

Hopkinton. 1 John M'Coon, *Captain*; Eber Crandal, *Lieutenant*; and Joſeph M'Coon, *Enſign*.

2. Lawton Palmer, *Captain*; Chriſtopher Wilbore, *Lieutenant*; and John Larkin, *Enſign*.

Benjamin Tayer, Adjutant of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Election of Officers for the following Companies, or trained Bands, *to wit*, the third of *North-Kingſtown*; the third of *Scituate*; the third of *Gloceſter*; and that of *Johnſton*, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly; and that the Gentlemen now in Commiſſion hold their Poſts with as full Power, and ample Authority to all Intents and Purpoſes, as they have at any Time had, ſince they were choſen, commiſſioned and ſworn.

An ACT for ſhortening the Time of drawing PROVIDENCE-LIBRARY-LOTTERY.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at South-Kingſtown, *on Monday the* Twenty-fifth *of* February *laſt, made and paſſed*, "*An Act for raiſing twelve hundred Dollars, in Order to reeſtabliſh the Library, lately conſumed by Fire in the Town of* Providence," *wherein and whereby among other Things*, It was Enacted, *That the ſaid Lottery ſhould be filled, and the drawing commence on the firſt Monday of* September *next, or ſooner, if full*, "*and in Order that there might be no Delay, all ſuch Tickets as ſhould remain unſold in the Hands of the Directors on the firſt of* Auguſt *next, ſhould be equally divided among all the Members of the ſaid Library, and that each of them ſhould depoſit the Value of his or their Part or Parts in Money, or give ſuch other Security as the Directors ſhould think proper to take: And all, and every Perſon and Perſons refuſing or neglecting to receive his or their Proportion or Proportions of the Tickets ſo left until after the fifteenth Day of the ſaid Month of* Auguſt, *ſhould be for-*

„ *ever*

ever excluded, and have no Right, Benefit, or Intereſt in the ſaid Library."

AND whereas Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*, being eſpecially appointed by the Proprietors of the Library aforeſaid, did requeſt that the Time of drawing the ſaid Lottery might be ſhortened, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That the Time by the Act aforeſaid, appointed for drawing the Lottery aforeſaid, be, and hereby is ſhortened, and ſhall commence on the Twenty-third Day of *June* next. And in Order that there may be no Delay, all ſuch Tickets as ſhall remain unſold in the Hands of the Directors, on the thirty-firſt Day of this Inſtant *May*, ſhall be equally divided among all the Members of the ſaid Library, and each of them ſhall depoſit the Value of his or their Part or Parts, in Money, or give ſuch other Security as the Directors ſhall think proper to take; And all and every Perſon and Perſons that refuſe or neglect to take his or their Proportion or Proportions of the Tickets ſo left, until after the tenth Day of the ſaid Month of *June*, ſhall be forever excluded, and have no Right, Benefit, or Intereſt in the ſaid Library, any Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom to the contrary, notwithſtanding.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly at their laſt Seſſion, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be continued for that Purpoſe, and that they meet on the firſt Tueſday of *June* next, at *Newport*, to proceed upon the Buſineſs, and compleat the ſame, ſo as to make Report unto the General Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That when, and ſo often as any Bill of Coſt is not taxed, within the Time limited by Law, any two Juſtices of the Court where Judgment hath or ſhall be obtained for ſuch Coſt, be and hereby are impowered to grant Liberty for taxing ſuch a Bill of Coſt as is aforeſaid.

Whereas Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun. Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, and Mr. *William Read*, were appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their laſt Seſſion to audit the Accounts of the Naval Officer, reſpecting the Light Houſe, but have not finiſhed that Service,

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee aforeſaid, be and hereby are continued for the Purpoſe, aforeſaid, and that they compleat the ſaid Buſineſs ſo as to make Report unto this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to inſpect the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; make Report unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

Whereas

Whereas His Honor the Governor, hath laid before this Aſſembly, a Letter from his Excellency the Governor of the Province of the *Maſſachuſets-Bay*, ſetting forth the great Calamity of the unhappy Perſons that ſuffered by the late great Fire in the Town of *Boſton*, and requeſting his Honor to recommend it unto the People of this Government, to contribute towards the Relief of the aforeſaid unhappy Sufferers.

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, be, and hereby is requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation as ſoon as conveniently may be, and recommend unto every Congregation of *Chriſtians* in this Colony, the Relieving the above mentioned diſtreſſed Perſons by Way of Contribution: And that what ever ſhall be collected be delivered to his Honor the Governor, who is deſired to tranſmit the ſame unto the ſelect Men of the Town of *Boſton*.

An ACT for printing Ten Thouſand Pounds *Lawful-Money*, to pay off the Troops, and get them to *Albany*, and the Sum of One Thouſand Pounds of the like Money, to carry on the Building of the Court-Houſe in *Providence*.

WHEREAS there was emitted the Tenth Day of *March* laſt, the Sum of Sixteen Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, called *Lawful-Money*, for raiſing, equipping, and paying One Thouſand able bodied effective Men, to proceed on an Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies, ſtill remaining in *North-America*: And there is ſtill wanting a large Sum to pay off the Troops, and get them to *Albany*, the Place of Rendezvous

AND whereas the General Treaſury is deſtitute of Money, which is abſolutely neceſſary for the Purpoſes aforeſaid,

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds in the Bills of Credit, called *Lawful-Money*, be forthwith ſtruck off from Types, and in the Form following, *to wit*.

" The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Co-
" lony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty-Shillings, *Lawful-Money*, at the Rate
" of Six Shillings, and Nine-Pence for one Ounce of Silver, with Inte-
" reſt at *Five per Cent.* per *Annum*, on or before the 12th Day of *May*,
" A. D. 1765. By Order of Aſſembly, the 12th Day of *May*, 1760."

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Bills be of the Denomination of *Thirty*, *Twenty*, *Ten* and *Five* Shillings; of each an equal Number, and ſigned by *Benjamin Nichols*, *Jeremiah Lippitt*, *Auguſtus Johnſton*, *Joſeph Clarke*, *James Sheffield*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, of *Newport*, and *John Dexter*, of *Cumberland*, Eſqrs. or any three of them. Which Bills, when finiſhed, ſhall be received by the Officers and Soldiers, in all Payments for Wages and Bounties.

AND

AND, for calling in, and redeeming the ſaid Bills, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time, or Times, that the whole may be collected and brought into the General Treaſury in Seaſon, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills with the Intereſt thereon, before or upon the twelfth Day of *May*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-five. And that the whole of the Rate or Rates, to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and nine Pence per Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionable Value, and that the Gold and Silver by thoſe Means drawn into the General Treaſury be immediately applied to redeem the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer deliver unto the Committee of War, the Money lodged with him in Conſequence of this Act, or ſo much thereof as they ſhall have Occaſion of for the Purpoſes and Uſes aforeſaid. And the Treaſurer is hereby ſtrictly prohibited and reſtricted from paying any Orders or Demands that may be on him for any of the aforeſaid Money, ſaving for the Purpoſes aforeſaid.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the Committee of War, have the ſame Power and Authority in all Reſpects for carrying this Act into Execution as they have at any Time had, by the Laws heretofore made, excepting in the Appointment of Officers.

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Sum of One Thouſand Pounds in the Bills of Credit, called *Lawful-Money*, be made for the carrying on the Building of the Court-Houſe in the County of *Providence*, and delivered unto the Committee appointed to build the ſaid Houſe. And that the ſaid Sum of One Thouſand Pounds be printed, ſigned and ſunk in the ſame Manner with the aforeſaid Ten Thouſand Pounds.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Whiting*, Eſq; who was choſen Major of the Regiment raiſed by this Colony for the laſt Campaign, but acted as Lieutenant Colonel, throughout the ſame, be allowed *Lieutenant-Colonel*'s Pay, from the Time that *Daniel Wall*, who was choſen *Lieutenant-Colonel* of the Regiment, delivered up his Commiſſion, *to wit*, the Twenty-ſecond Day of *Auguſt*, until he the ſaid *John Whiting* was diſcharged.

Whereas *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for the Subſiſtance of *John Shearman*, who was committed on a Suſpicion of his robbing a *Spaniſh* Church on *Hiſpaniola*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ninety-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

Whereas *Henry Wall*, of *North-Kingstown*, in the County of *Kings-County*, and Colony aforeſaid, and *Thomas Haſzard* of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, in the ſaid Colony, Merchants, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that they, at their own Coſts and Charges, equipped a private Ship of War, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies, under the Command of Capt. *Abel Michiner*. That the ſaid Ship, in her Cruize, took a Veſſel belonging to the Subjects of the *French* King, and brought her into the Port of *Newport* aforeſaid, with Eleven Men, Subjects of the ſaid *French* King, who are now Priſoners of War in *Newport* aforeſaid, and ſupported at the ſole Expence of the Petitioners. Whereupon they prayed that they might be permitted to fit out and ſend a Veſſel with a Flag of Truce, to carry the aforeſaid Eleven Frenchmen to the *Weſt-Indies*, and there deliver them unto the Commander in Chief of ſuch Port or Place as they ſhall ſend to.

And the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, being duly enquired into, and conſidered,

It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Henry Wall* and *Thomas Haſzard*, in their aforeſaid Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, provided that they cauſe ſo many *Engliſh* Priſoners to be bro't back unto *Newport*, as the Veſſel they ſhall ſend will carry. Provided alſo, that the Veſſel to be ſent be under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with others going to the Colonies, Ports, or Harbours of the Enemy, with a Flag of Truce.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to put in Suit the *non eſt* Mortgages and Bonds, be farther continued for that Purpoſe.

Whereas *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Glaſs Windows in the Court-Houſe, at *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifty-two Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be referred to the next Seſſion, which is hereby appointed to begin on the ſecond Monday of *June* next.

GOD Save the KING.

JUNE, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the ſecond Monday of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and Thirty-third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH LIPPITT Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
} Aſſiſt.
The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
The Speaker.
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*,
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

Portſmouth;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
William Earl, Eſq;
Mr. *Reſtcome Sanford*.

Warwick;
Capt. *Randal Rice*.
Mr. *James Rhodes*,
Maj. *Henry Rice*.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt.

Capt. *Nathan Babcock.*
Newſhoreham ;
Capt. *Edward Sands,*
John Littlefield, Eſq;
North-Kingſtown ;
Col. *Immanuel Northup,*
Capt. *Daniel Fones*
South-Kingſtown ;
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Haſzard.*
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Maj. *John Arnold,*
Maj. *James Wightman.*
Jameſtown ;
Mr. *John Eldred,*
Mr. *John Gardner.*
Smithfield ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq:
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey.*
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt.*
Gloceſter ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Mr. *Silas Williams.*
Charleſtown ;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin.*
Capt. *Robert Potter,*
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter.*
Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds,*
Job Tripp, Eſq;
Middletown ;
Mr. *Samuel Baley,*
Mr. *John Clarke.*
Briſtol ;
Mr. *Simon Davis,*
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds.*
Tiverton ;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons.*
Warren ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey,*
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq;
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Maj. *Richard Bailey,*
Cranſton ;
Capt. *Richard Searle,* jun.
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
Hopkinton ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke,*
Capt. *Edward Wells,* jun.
Johnſton ;
Henry Harris, Eſq:

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

What followeth is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame.

" WE the Subſcribers, by the Appointment of the Honorable " General Aſſembly, have examined the Naval-Officers Ac- " counts in Regard to the *Light-Houſe*, and do find a Ballance of " Ninety-ſix Pounds Ten Shillings and Eight Pence due to the Colony, " ſince the laſt Settlement, from the ſaid Naval Officer ; Alſo two " Barrels of Oil, that coſt One Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds Two " Shillings, beſides the Charges. The ſaid Officer informs us, were " loſt after he ſent them over the Ferry, at *Jameſtown* ; which we " are of Opinion, ſaid Officer, or the Perſon he delivered them to,

" ought to be accountable for, as the Commiſſions, Ferriage, and " Carting are charged to the Colony."

" *William Read*,
" *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
" *Gideon Wanton*, jun."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas the Town-Council of *Richmond* in *Kings-County*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *John Lillibridge*, Eſq; and Mr. *Nicholas Hollway*, who appraiſed the Perſonal Eſtate of *Richard Dye*, late of *Richmond*, Yeoman, deceas'd, who died of the Small-Pox, had informed them the ſaid Town-Council, that there was a Quantity of Bills of Credit, chiefly of the *Old-Tenor*, by them inventoried, as Part of the ſaid *Richard's* perſonal Eſtate: Which Bills have not yet been purged from the Infection of the Diſtemper aforeſaid, and being very much patched, cannot be cleanſed ſo as to paſs current, without great Pains, beſides Danger of ſpreading the ſaid Diſtemper. Whereupon they the ſaid Town Council prayed that ſome proper Perſon or Perſons might be appointed to receive and burn the aforeſaid Bills of Credit, giving the Adminiſtrator of the ſaid *Richard* a proper Receipt.

On due Enquiry into, and Conſideration of the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame*, That the above-named *John Lillibridge* and *Nicholas Holway*, be, and they are hereby appointed and impowered to receive the Old-Tenor Bills of Credit aforeſaid, and give a Receipt for the ſame: That they burn them, and make Report of their Doings unto this Aſſembly at their next Seſſion.

An ACT to prevent Diſputes concerning the Attachment of Goods or Lands in Civil Actions.

WHEREAS ſeveral Controverſies and Law Suits have ariſen, where Goods or Land hath been firſt attached on a Writ of meſne Proceſs, *and afterwards taken by Execution at the Suit of another, before the Judgment obtained by him who made the firſt Attachment, hath been ſatisfied.*

Wherefore, and in Order to ſettle ſuch Diſputes

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That it is, and hath always been the true Intent and Meaning of the Laws of this Colony concerning Attachments, that he, who firſt procures any Goods or Land to be attached, for any due Debt, agreeable to the Laws and Cuſtom of this Colony, is, and ſhall be entitled to have ſuch his Debt for which he firſt attached ſuch Goods or Land, firſt paid and ſatisfied before any other Debt for which the ſame Land or Goods, may have been attached or ſeized by Execution at the Suit of any other Perſon.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Captain of the Fort, procure at the Colony's Charge, a good Boat for the Uſe of ſaid Fort, not exceeding ſeventeen Feet; and that he diſpoſe of the old one, with her Appurtenances for the moſt they will fetch, for the Uſe of the Colony.

Whereas there is a Number of Mortgage Deeds in the Office of the Grand Committee, and no Bonds yet found agreeing with them: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Job Randal*, *Benjamin Nichols*, *Gideon Comſtock*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs be, and they, or any two of them, are hereby conſtituted a Committee to examin the ſaid Mortgage Deeds, and ſet up Notifications with a Liſt of them advertiſing all Perſons therein concerned to bring in unto the ſaid Committee, or any one of them, all ſuch Bonds that have been taken up, as agree with the ſaid Deeds, if any they have, by the firſt Day of *October* next. Otherwiſe, all and every of the ſaid Deeds will be put in Suit, by *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; Keeper of the aforeſaid Office. Unto whom the Committee now appointed, or any one of them, are to return a Liſt of ſuch as are to be ſued as is aforeſaid.

AND it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That if any Perſon ſhall refuſe or neglect to bring in the Bonds taken up, or ſuch other Vouchers, as will prove the Payment of the Money, mentioned in any Mortgage Deed, to ſome one of the Committee hereby conſtituted, and ſuch Perſon, being afterwards ſued on a Mortgage, ſhall ſhew in Court, that the Money hath been paid, ſhall pay the Coſts of the Suit commenced on Occaſion of ſuch neglect.

And farther, That the Notifications above mentioned, be put up in every Town in the Colony, and contain therein, not only the Name of the Perſon that gave the Mortgage, but alſo, his, her, or their Name or Names that is or are now in Poſſeſſion of the Land mortgaged, who is, or are liable to be ſued.

What followeth is a true Copy of an Account charged againſt the Government.

1759. *The* COLONY *of* Rhode-Iſland, - - *Dr.*---

June. TO auditting the Grand Committee's Accounts, receiving and burning the Money, *viz.*

To *John Tillinghaſt*, 9 Days, at 60*ſ.*	-	£. 27
To *Peter Bours*, 25 Days, 60*ſ.*	- -	75
To *James Sheffield*, 27 Ditto, 60*ſ.*	- -	81
To *Thomas Cranſton*, 25 Ditto, 60*ſ.*	- -	75
To exchanging 17,000*l.* good Money for old broken ragged Money, which will appear by Mr. *Nichols*, to whom we gave our Receipts, at 1 *per Cent.*	-	170
		£. 428

Peter Bours (for *John Tillinghaſt*)
Peter Bours (for himſelf)
James Sheffield,
Thomas Cranſton.
} Committee."

And

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the aforeſaid *John Tillinghaſt*, *Peter Bours*, *James Sheffield*, and *Thomas Cranſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *James Franklin*, of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on Monday the Twenty-fifth of *February* laſt; and for furniſhing Paper for the Work: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-nine Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Noah Maſon*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, Innholder, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, at the Term begun and holden there, within and for the County aforeſaid, on the Third Tueſday of *June*, One Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine: Which Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Noah Maſon* out of the General Treaſury.

What followeth is the Account of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; one of the Committee of War, and a Report on the ſame, made by the Gentlemen who ſigned it.

" *Dr* —*Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *in Account current with* Daniel Jenckes, *one of the Committee of War.*

1755. *Aug.* 11.	To the Amount of my Account, as paſs'd the Audit this Day,	£.	9676	2	1		
	To my Commiſſions on ſaid Sum, at 2 *per Cent.*		193	10	0	£. 9869	12 1
1756. *Feb.* 20.	To the Amount of my Account, as paſs'd *per* Audit this Day,		26910	16	8		
	To my Commiſſions on ſaid Sum at 2 *per Cent.*		538	4	0		
						£. 27449	0 8
1757. *April* 29.	To the Amount of my Account auditted this Day,	£.	60237	18	10		
	To my Commiſſions on ſaid Sum, at 2 *per Cent.*		1204	16	0		
						£. 61442	14 10

June

June 10	To Amount of *Ditto*,					
	Ditto,	£.	8108	7 6		
	Commiſſions on *Ditto*, at 1 and an half *per Cent.*		121	12 0		
					8229	19 6
Octo. 22.	To Amount of *Ditto*,					
	Ditto,		10342	14 11		
	Commiſſions on *Ditto*, at 1 and an Half *per Cent.*		155	2 6		
					10497	17 5
1758.						
Oct. 24,	To Amouat of *Ditto*,					
	Ditto,		48988	16 10		
	Commiſſions on *Ditto*, at 1 and an Half *per Cent.*		734	17 0		
					49723	13 10
					£. 167212	18 4
	Ballance due to the Colony,				6017	11 1
					£. 173230	9 5
1758.		Old-Tenor,				
Oct. 24.	To Amount of my Account auditted this Day,	£.	2315	1 1		
	To my Commiſſions on ſaid Sum, at 1 and an Half *per Cent.*		34	14 6		
					Lawful, £. 2349	15 7
1760.	To Amount of *Ditto*,					
June 10.	*Ditto*,		7829	5 4		
	My Commiſſions on *Ditto*, at 1 and an Half *per Cent.*		117	3 0		
					7946	8 4
					£. 10296	3 11

CREDITOR.

	By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, at different Times, from the 5th *April*, 1755, to 13th *Feb.* 1759, as *per* Orders and Receipts,				£. 173230	9 5
1760.	By Ballance of the above Account due in Favor of the Colony in Old Tenor,	£.	6017	11		
	Equal in Lawful Money to				328	14 7½

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer at different Times, from *March* 10th. 1758, to *May* 15, 1760, as *per* Receipts in Lawful Money,	9511 - 7	1
By 30 *Spaniſh* mill'd Dollars, 180 *l.* Old Tenor, is lawful,	9 16	4⅓
June 10. Ballance due in Favor of *Daniel Jenckes*.	446 15	10⅔
	£. 10296	3 11

The Account current here preſented, being carefully examined by us the Subſcribers. we find the Amount of the ſeveral Sums charged above to be juſt and right, agreeable to the ſeveral Audits; and that the Commiſſions thereon are alſo right caſt. And farther, that the Credit here given, is right and juſt, compared with the Certificate produced from under the Hand of the General Treaſurer: And that on the whole, there appears to be a Ballance of Four Hundred and Forty-ſix Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Ten Pence Two-fifths Lawful Money due to *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq;

Witneſs our Hands in *Newport*, *June* 10th, 1760.

James Sheffield,
Joſeph Lippitt."

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and is hereby accepted; and that the Ballance of Four Hundred and Forty-ſix Pounds Fifteen Shillings Ten Pence and Two Fifths of one Penny Lawful Money, be paid the aforeſaid *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Durfey*, of *Tiverton*, in the County of *Newport*, and Colony aforeſaid, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he the Petitioner in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, was part Owner of a certain Sloop called the *Eagle*, commanded by *Robert Collins*: That the ſaid Sloop in a Voyage deſigned from *Turks-Iſlands*, in the *Weſt-Indies*, unto this Colony, was taken by a *French* Brigantine, with a Letter of Marque, then on her Paſſage to *Nants*: That the ſaid *Robert Collins* being ſo taken, ranſomed his Sloop for the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds Sterling, and to ſecure the Payment of the ſame, pledged the Body of Peleg Durfey, who was his Mate, as an Hoſtage. That the *French* Brigantine aforeſaid, hath been to *France*, and is now returned to *Auxcayes*, on the Iſland of St. *Domingo*; whither ſhe brought the Hoſtage aforeſaid: Who will undoubtedly be detained there a Priſoner, until the Ranſom afore ſaid is paid. And thereupon the ſaid *William Durfey*, prayed for Liberty to ſend a Veſſel properly commiſſionated unto *Auxcayes* aforeſaid, in Order to redeem the aforeſaid *Peleg Durfey*

And

And the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid being duly enquired into and conſidered, *It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame*, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *William Durfey* therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

An ACT to impower the Marſhal of the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony to call *ſpecial Courts*.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That when, and ſo often, as the Marſhal of the Court of *Vice-Admiralty* ſhall ſell or diſpoſe of any Goods, Wares, Merchandize or Effects whatſoever, in Conſequence of an Order, Sentence, or Decree of the ſaid Court; and the Conditions of Sale ſhall not be complied with, by the Purchaſer or Purchaſers, he the ſaid Marſhal ſhall have the ſame Power of calling a *ſpecial Court*, with the Vendue Maſters of this Government, and ſhall alſo be liable to have *ſpecial Courts* called upon him in the like Manner, for any Goods, Wares, Marchandize or Effects whatſoever, that have been, or may hereafter be ſold by him, purſuant to any Order, Sentence, or Decree of the ſaid Court. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof, in any wiſe, notwithſtanding.

An ACT to prevent the laying Veſſels to, and lading and unlading Wood, or heavy Wares, or Merchandize, upon the Bridge over Opponaug *River*.

WHEREAS the laying Veſſels to, and lading and unlading Wood, and other Kinds of heavy Wares and Merchandize at, or upon a certain Bridge in the Poſt-Road, over *Opponaug* River, in the Townſhip of *Warwick*, hath been attended with many Inconveniences.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, no Perſon or Perſons, on any Pretence whatſoever, ſhall lay or bring any Sloop or other Veſſel unto the Bridge aforeſaid, or there lade or unlade any Wood, or other heavy Wares, or Merchandize, upon the Penalty of *Twenty Pounds* for every Offence, to be recovered of the Perſon or Perſons ſo offending, before any two Juſtices of the Peace, in the Town aforeſaid. One Half whereof ſhall be to the Uſe of him, or them who will inform and ſue for the ſame, and the other Half for the Uſe of the Town of *Warwick*. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrray of this Act, notwithſtanding.

What followeth is a Report made by the Gentlemen that ſigned it.

WHEREAS, we the Subſcribers, together with *Philip Greene*, Eſq; at the Dividing of *Cranſton* from *Providence*, were

were appointed a Commitee to ſettle the Debts that were due from the Town of *Providence*, to particular Perſons, and the then Poor, and to apportion to each Town their Parts of the Poor, and alſo, what Part of the Debts the Town of *Cranſton* ſhould pay, We report, that the Town of *Cranſton* ſhall pay the Town Treaſurer of *Providence*, Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds Three Shillings, *Old-Tenor*, which appears to be their Proportion of the Debts; and that the Town of *Cranſton* pay Three Tenth Parts of all the Charge and Expence that ſhall ariſe to the Town of *Providence*, on Account of a poor decrepid Child, called *Tracey*, being long lame, and maintained by the Town of *Providence*, and alſo Three Tenth Parts of all the Charges that ſhall ariſe to ſaid Town, on Account of a poor Child called *Card*, and having been maintained by *Providence* heretofore. The above Account was ſettled in *April*, 1760. The Towns of *Providence* and *Johnſton* are to be at the other ſeventh Part of the Charge ariſing on Account of the two Children aforeſaid.

Daniel Jenckes,
Jonathan Randal. } COMMITTEE.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that the foregoing Report be, and hereby is accepted.

An ACT for apporuoning unto and upon the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, the Rate or Tax lately ordered to be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of the ſame.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden by Adjournment at South-Kingſtown, *within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on Monday the 25th of* February *laſt, made and paſſed an Act, that a Rate or Tax of Fifteen Thouſand Five Hundred and Forty Seven Pounds in Bills of Credit emitted by this Government, called* Lawful Money, *ſhould be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, and levied, collected, and brought into the General Treaſury by the laſt Day of* October *next, for paying off the Government's Troops upon their Return from the Expedition: Which Rate or Tax hath not been apportioned as yet*;

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, ſhall be, and hereby is apportioned unto and upon the ſeveral Towns, at the ſame Rate and Proportion as the laſt Colony Rate was, that is to ſay:

The Town of *Newport*			The Town of *Providence*		
ſhall pay	£. 3110	0	ſhall pay	£. 943	10
Portſmouth	699	0	*Smithfield*	897	3
Newſhoreham	329	0	*Scituate*	398	0
Jameſtown	350	0	*Gloceſter*	396	10
Middletown	478	0	*Cumberland*	259	7
Tiverton	514	0	*Cranſton*	602	3
Little-Compton	505	12	*Johnſton*	234	12
	£. 5985	12		£. 3731	5

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The Town of *Weſterly*			The Town of *Briſtol*		
ſhall pay	£. 391	5	ſhall pay	411	13
North-Kingſtown	704	5	*Warren*	379	18
South-Kingſtown	1136	0		791	11
Charleſtown	271	0			
Exeter	345	0	The Town of *Warwick*		
Richmond	236	4	ſhall pay	£. 719	8
Hopkinton	322	10	*Eaſt-Greenwich*	401	6
			Weſt-Greenwich	255	17
	2406	4	*Coventry*	255	17
				1632	8

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of each reſpective Town, ſhall aſſeſs and apportion the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, unto and upon the Inhabitants thereof, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that the Town Clerk ſend a Copy thereof in ſix Days, after his receiving the ſame, unto the General Treaſurer, who is hereby directed and required to iſſue his Warrants within ſix Days after he has received the ſaid Bill or Liſt, unto the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in each reſpective Town.

AND be it alſo Enacted, That the Collectors of Rates or Taxes in this Colony, ſhall receive Lawful Money for this Rate or Tax, reckoning Intereſt thereon until the laſt Day of *October* next, at which Time, the ſaid Rate or Tax is to be paid into the General Treaſury.

AND it is farther Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully impowered, to iſſue a Warrant of Diſtreſs againſt the Eſtate of every Collector that ſhall neglect to pay into the Treaſury by the ſaid laſt Day of *October*, the Proportion of the ſaid Rate or Tax, which ſhall be committed unto him to collect, and for Want of ſufficient Eſtate, to commit the Body of ſuch delinquent Collector to Gaol.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Collectors be, and hereby are directed to receive for the abovementioned Rate or Tax, Bills of Credit of the Old Tenor, at the Rate of Eighteen and a Third for one, of ſuch Perſons as ſhall chooſe to pay their Rate or Tax in the ſame.

AND the Secretary is hereby required to publiſh this Act, and ſend a Copy thereof unto every Town Clerk in the Colony immediately.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War, tranſmit unto his Honor the Governor, within ſix Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, an atteſted Account of all the billeting Money of each Officer and Soldier employed in the preſent Campaign, that his Honor may

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ſend the ſame (with the former Accounts) unto the General, in Order for Payment.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion begun and holden at South-Kingſtown, *on Monday the Twenty-fifth of* February *laſt, made and paſſed,* " *An Act for raiſing One Thouſand Dollars,* " *by a Lottery, in Order to purchaſe a certain Lot of Land in the Town* " *of* Providence *whereon to erect a Court-Houſe.*" *And whereas the Directors of the ſaid Lottery find it extremely difficult to diſpoſe of Tickets for Dollars, and in all Probability, if the Lottery ſhould continue in the ſame Circumſtances, it will occaſion a great Delay in the Sale of the Tickets.*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Directors of the Lottery aforeſaid, be, and they are hereby authorized and impowered to diſpoſe of the ſaid Tickets at and after the Rate of Nine Pounds Old-Tenor, and that the Prizes be alſo reduced to Old Tenor, at, and after the Rate of Six Pounds for each Dollar, and that they alſo expreſs upon every Ticket before Sale, that the Benefit Tickets will be paid off in Old-Tenor, at the Rate aforeſaid.

Whereas *Peleg Rogers*, Town Serjeant of *Newport*, and *Richard Wilſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for looking after the Colony Houſe in *Newport* laſt Year; for ſweeping and cleanſing the ſame on Occaſion of the holding ſeveral Seſſions of the General Aſſembly, and other Courts therein, for cutting and carrying in Wood for their Uſe, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peleg* and *Richard*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; be, and he hereby is added unto the Committee appointed to inſpect thoſe Mortgage Deeds in the Office of the Grand Committee, that have no Bonds yet found, agreeing with them, *and ſo forth.*

It is Voted and Reſolved, that the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be, and they are hereby farther continued to compleat the Buſineſs to them committed; and that they the ſaid Committe, give *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; Notice of the Time and Place of their meeting, and when they ſhall be ready to ſettle his, the ſaid *Comſtock's* Accounts, as one of the Committee of War, and receive what ſhall appear to be due unto the Colony from him; that they give the ſaid *Gideon*, a Receipt for the ſame, and deliver the Money unto the General Treaſurer, taking his Receipt for it, and make Report unto this Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion.

In Anſwer to the Motion of his Honor the Governor, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War ſhall, within ſix Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, deliver his Honor the exacteſt and trueſt Accoun

count they can of the Bounty and Expence paid the Seamen, by this Colony, furniſhed unto His Majeſty's Fleet laſt Year, and alſo of the Number of Troops raiſed by this Government for the laſt Campaign, and the Expence of levying, paying, and clothing them. That the Governor may be enabled to write and inform the Agent, and to direct him to make Application for an Allowance from the Crown.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, be, and he hereby is appointed to get new painted all that Part of the Outſide of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*, which was heretofore painted, and that the Expence thereof be paid out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame, according to Law, together with Copies of the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, unto all and every of the Town Clerks in this Colony, and to the Sheriff of each reſpective County: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the Third Monday of *Auguſt* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order the Sixteenth Day of June, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined,

Witneſs *Tho Ward Secry*

AUGUST, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Eighteenth of *Auguſt*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and Thirty-fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

Aſſiſtants.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;

Aſſiſtants.

JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
The Speaker,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*.
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*,
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

Portſmouth;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
William Earl, Eſq;
Mr. *Reſteome Sanford*.

Warwick;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Mr. *James Rhodes*,
Mr. *Tho. Wickes*, (Son of John)
Maj. *Henry Rice*.

Weſterly;

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.
Newſhoreham;
None.
North-Kingſtown;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
Capt. *Daniel Fones*.
South-Kingſtown;
Rowland Robinſon, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Haſzard*.
Eaſt-Greenwich;
Maj. *John Arnold*,
Maj. *James Wightman*.
Jameſtown;
Mr. *John Eldred*,
Mr. *John Gardner*.
Smithfield;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq:
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.
Scituate;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.
Gloceſter;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Mr. *Silas Williams*.
Charleſtown;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*.
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Weſt-Greenwich;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Coventry;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*.
Exeter;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Job Tripp, Eſq;
Middletown;
Mr. *John Clarke*.
Briſtol;
Mr. *Simon Davis*,
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds*.
Tiverton;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
Philip Tabor, Eſq;
Little-Compton;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Simmons*
Warren;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
Cumberland;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond
Samuel Teft, Eſq;
Maj. *Richard Bailey*,
Cranſton;
Capt. *Richard Searle*, jun.
Joſeph Harris, Eſq;
Hopkinton;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
Johnſton;
Henry Harris, Eſq:

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *James Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for, printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſions in *May* and *June* laſt; for printing the Rate Bill ſeparately, and furniſhing Paper for thoſe Services. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Thirty-eight Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Gideon Comſtock*, *Job Randal*, *Othniel Gorton*, *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſqrs. were appointed to examin the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; with the Colony, but have not yet been able to compleat the ſaid Buſineſs: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Gentlemen abovenamed, be, and hereby farther are

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continued a Committee for that Purpoſe, and that they, or the major Part of them, be, and hereby are directed and impowered to adjuſt, ſettle, and compromiſe with the aforeſaid *Jahleel Brenton*, the whole of the Controverſy between him and the Colony, and make Report of their Doings unto the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be. And that the Secretary furniſh the Committee, and Mr. *Brenton* alſo, with a Copy hereof.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs, and Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, be, and they or the major Part of them are hereby conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Grand Committee and to receive what Money is paid into the ſaid Grand Committee's Office for Tenths, and burn the ſame, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted aud Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *James Arnold*, and *John Dexter* of *Cumberland*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed to repair *Patuxet* Bridge at the Charge of the Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, *Old-Tenor*, be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, unto the Perſon that ſhall bring the Money granted by the Crown, from the City of *New-York*, to *Newport* aforeſaid.

Whereas Lieut. Col. *Joſeph Champlin*, who was appointed to repair *Paucatuck* Bridge, hath removed out of this Colony: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *Benoni Smith*, be, and he is hereby appointed to carry on that Service, in the Room of the ſaid *Joſeph Champlin*, at the Charge of the Colony, and that he preſent his Account unto the General Aſſembly.

Whereas *Bridget Wait* of *Hopkinton*, in the County of *Kings-County*, Widow, and Relict of *Thomas Wait*, late of ſaid *Hopkinton*, who went in the Service of this Government, and was killed in the Action that happened between the Enemy and his Majeſty's Troops at *Ticonderoga*, in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that ſhe was left a poor Widow, with eight Children, three of whom are yet under ſeven Years of Age, and the eldeſt not fifteen: That having taken out Letters of Adminiſtration on her ſaid late Huſband's perſonal Eſtate, ſhe hath paid out the whole Amount thereof, and above Two Hundred Pounds over: That there is a very poor Piece of Land chiefly wild, which is now ſeized by a Writ upon a Judgment of Court at the Suit of *Giles Pearce*, of *Little-Compton*, who hath laid his Damage to the Value of Five Hundred Pounds, and there are many other Debts yet unſatisfied, to the Amount of three or four Hundred Pounds, and ſeveral of her Children not able to earn any Thing, nor yet to be bound out: Whereupon ſhe the ſaid *Bridget Wait*, prayed to have ſome Relief, according to the Law of the Colony made and paſſed in *Newport*, on the ſeventh Day of *May*, One Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Eighteen, entituled, " An Act for relieving ſuch as ſhall be " maimed, and the Widows Parents or Relations of ſuch as ſhall be " killed, in the Colony's Service."

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And the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, being duly enquired into, and conſidered, *It is Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame*, That Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds *Old-Tenor*, be allowed to the Petitioner, in Conſideration of her diſtreſſed Circumſtances, and that the ſame be paid out of the General Treaſury, unto the Town-Council of *Hopkinton*, to be by them appropiated to the Diſcharging of the Debt abovementioned, or for the Support and Maintenance of the Petitioner and her Children, as the ſaid Town-Council ſhall think moſt adviſeable.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieutenant Col. *Benjamin Wickham* be, and he is hereby impowered to draw out of the General Treaſury what ſhall be neceſſary to pay for new painting the Colony Houſe in *Newport*.

Whereas *Stephen Colegrove* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of Sixty-two Pounds Five Shillings, by him charged againſt the Colony for the Uſe of his Horſe, which was impreſſed in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, when one Sixth Part of the Militia was raiſed, and for keeping the ſaid Horſe after his Return, he being rendered unfit for Service, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifty Pounds thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Stephen Colegrove*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Job Bennet*, and Mr *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to build the Market Houſe with Stores over it, in *Newport*, for which a Lottery was granted in *February* laſt; provided that the ſame be done without any Charge to the Colony, and that the ſaid Committee be careful not to proceed to the Building ſaid Houſe, until the Directors of the ſaid Lottery are fully ſatisfied that they ſhall be able to raiſe Money enough to finiſh the ſame, and ſhall give Orders accordingly

Whereas *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Government, for repairing the Glaſs Windows of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-ſix Pounds Nineteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Town-Council of *Richmond*, in *Kings-County*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, at their Seſſion begun and holden at *Newport*, on the ſecond Monday of *June* laſt, that *John Lillibridge*, Eſq; and Mr. *Nicholas Holway*, who appraiſed the perſonal Eſtate of *Richard Dye*, late of *Richmond* aforeſaid, Yeoman, deceas'd, who died of the Small-Pox, had informed them the ſaid Town-Council, that there was a Quantity of Bills of Credit, chiefly of the *Old-Tenor*, that had not been purged from the Infection of the Diſtemper aforeſaid. Whereupon the ſaid Aſſembly appointed and impowered the ſaid *Lillibridge*

libriage and *Holway*, to receive the *Old-Tenor* Bills of Credit aforeſaid, and giving a Receipt for the ſame, burn them, and make Report of their Doings. And the Committee aforeſaid having undertaken and performed that Service, reported, " That in Obedience to the afore " ſaid Act, they had received of *John Dye*, the Adminiſtrator, the " abovementioned *Old-Tenor* Bills, amounting to Two Hundred " Fifty-one Pounds four Shillings, and immediately burnt the ſame, " and gave the ſaid Adminiſtrator a Receipt for ſaid Sum, in Behalf of " the Colony." Unto which Report they ſubjoined the following Account. " The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Dr.-- to *John Lillibridge* " and *Nicholas Holway*, for receiving and burning the aforeſaid Bills " of Credit £. 10 9 0" And the Premiſſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforeſaid Report be, and hereby is accepted, the aforeſaid Account allowed, and that the ſaid Ten Pounds Nine Shillings be paid them the ſaid *John Lillibridge*, and *Nicholas Holway*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Warkman*, of *Newport*, Blackſmith, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for Iron-work done for the Court-Houſe, for putting Irons on ſeveral Perſons committed to His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, for taking them off, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-two Pounds Two Shillings the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Warkman*, out of the General Treaſury

Whereas *Thomas Arnold*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for ſundry Journies by him made into the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, to wit; Unto the Towns of *Mendon*, *Medway*, *Medfield*, *Dedham*, *Bellingham*, and *Wrentham*; to ſearch the ancient Records of thoſe Towns, and taking Copies of ſome of them, in Order to prepare a State of the Caſe reſpecting the Boundary Line between this Colony and the ſaid Province, for a Journey by him made to *Hartford* in the Colony of *Connecticut*, to meet with a Committee of that Government, and for his Horſe hire and Expences, in the ſaid Journies. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*. That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Ninety-ſix Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Arnold*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT augmenting the Wages of the Town Sergeants and other Waiters on the General Aſſembly, Superior and Inferior Courts.

WHEREAS it hath been repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that the Allowance made thoſe Perſons who attend as Waiters on the General Aſſembly, Superior and Inferior Courts, is ſo very low, that they cannot live by it, eſpecially as all the Neceſſaries of life are riſen very much.

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On Conſideration whereof;

B E it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, the Wages of the Town Sergeants, and all other Perſons who attend as Waiters on the General Aſſembly, Superior and Inferior Courts, in and throughout this Colony, ſhall be, and hereby are augmented to Two Pounds Ten Shillings *Old-Tenor*, for every Day of their attending on any or either of the abovementioned Courts.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, be, and he is hereby appointed to take Care of the Cellar under the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, to let the ſame out, and lodge the Rent in the General Treaſury, and alſo enquire whether any Rent is due for the Time paſt, and render an Account of his Doings unto the General Aſſembly.

An ACT to augment the Fees of the Attorney General.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Allowance to the Attorney General, for attending on the General Aſſembly, and other Courts in the Colony, be raiſed to Three Shillings *Lawful-Money*, *per Diem* for the future. And that a Certificate from the Clerk of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly, the Clerks of the reſpective Superior and Inferior Courts in the ſeveral Counties declaring the Number of Days in which he attended on the reſpective Courts ſhall be full Proof of the Matter.

Whereas *Job Randal*, *Benjamin Nichols*, *Gideon Comſtock*, *James Helme*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. were at the laſt Seſſion of this Aſſembly appointed, and any two of them authorized to examin a Number of Mortgage Deeds in the Office of the Grand Committee, where no Bonds had then been found agreeing with the ſaid Mortgages: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, that the ſaid Committee, and each of them be, and hereby are veſted with Power to adminiſter an Oath or Engagement to any Perſon or Perſon who ſhall produce a Bond or Bonds of the third or fourth Bank whenever any Perſon ſhall be ſuſpected of Fraud: Or at the Requeſt of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq;

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be farther continued for that Purpoſe, and make Report unto the General Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed and fully impowered to employ two Men to guard his Houſe at the Government's Expence, in Order to ſecure the Money granted by the Crown unto this Colony, not exceeding fourteen Nights after that he ſhall have received the ſame. And that the General Treaſurer upon his receiving ſaid Money, immediately give public Notice

Notice thereof in the *Newport-Mercury*, ſo that all Perſons unto whom the Colony is indebted may come in and receive what is due unto them, agreeable to the Act of Aſſembly made and paſſed at *South-Kingſtown*, on Monday the Twenty-fifth of *February* laſt.

An ACT regulating the General Election.

WHEREAS it is found by long Experience, that the Freemen going to Newport *to put in their Votes for General Officers, at the Election, is very injurious to the Intereſt and public Weal of the Colony, and occaſions a very great Loſs of People's Time, at a Seaſon of the Year when their Labor is abſolutely neceſſary for preparing the Ground, and planting the Seed; on which the Produce of the whole Summer muſt depend. And as all the Ends of voting for General Officers may be as fully attained, by the Freemen's putting in their Proxy-Votes at the Town-meeting in their own Towns, appointed by Law for that Purpoſe, agreeable to the ancient and laudable Cuſtom of moſt of the prudent Freemen*: Therefore be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, *That for the future, every Freeman, who is diſpoſed to give his Suffrage for the Election of General Officers in this Colony, ſhall do it by putting in a Proxy-Vote, in the Town-meeting, in the Town to which he belongs, on the third Wedneſday in April next, preceding the General Election, agreeable to the Law, and well known Cuſtom of proxing. And no Freeman ſhall be permitted to vote for General Officers, at the General Election held at* Newport *on the firſt Wedneſday in* May, *but only ſuch as be Members of the General Aſſembly.* And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, *That no Perſon in this Colony, for the future, ſhall Vote and Act as a Freeman in any Caſe whatſoever, but ſuch only, who at the Time of voting ſhall be truly and really poſſeſſed of Land or Real Eſtate, to be valued and determined agreeable to the former Laws, of the full Value of Forty Pounds* Lawful-Money, *or that will rent yearly for* Forty Shillings, Lawful-Money, *or the eldeſt Son of ſuch a Freeman. That every Perſon newly admitted Free of any Town, ſhall be admitted to put in his Proxy-vote for General-Officers, in the Town Meeting at his own Town, and ſuch of them as ſhall be admitted Freemen of the Colony, by the General Aſſembly, their Proxes ſhall be received and numbered at the General Election, and ſuch as ſhall not be ſo admitted Free by the Aſſembly, ſhall be rejected and thrown out.*

Both Houſes being Reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers, *to wit.*

James Arnold, jun. Eſq, Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*;---*James Wightman*, Eſq; Lieut. Colonel; and *John Waterman*, Eſq; Major of the ſame.

John Holden, Eſq; fourth, and *Caleb Greeene*, Eſq; fifth } Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and Gen. Seſſi- of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*,

Robert

Robert Burrington, jun. and *John Ward*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Portſmouth*.

Henry Spencer, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *North-Kingſtown*, in the Stead of *Joſeph Caſe*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Benjamin Rodman, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *South-Kingſtown*.

Thomas Mattiſon, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Coventry*, in the Room of *John Bucklin*, Eſq; who refuſed. And *John Rice*, Eſq; a Juſtice for the ſaid Town.

Abiel Tripp, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Exeter*, in the Stead of *Amos Gardner*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Benjamin Randal, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Hopkinton*.

Joſhua Pearce, Captain; *Thomas Phillips*, jun. Lieutenant; and *Stephen Northup*, (Son of *Joſeph*) Enſign; of the third Company, or trained Band in the Town of *North-Kingſtown*.

John Northup, Lieutenant of the Second Company, or Trained Band in the Town of *North-Kingstown*, in the Room of *John Sweet*, who refuſed.

Bernard Haile, Captain; *James Wheeler*, Lieutenant; and *Stephen Sweet*, Enſign, of the third Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Scituate*.

Abraham Waterman, Captain; *Benjamin Barret*, Lieutenant; and *Thomas Collins*, Enſign; of the third Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Gloceſter*.

Robert Carr, Captain, *Joſeph Hopkins*, (Son of *William*) Lieutenant, and *Samuel Hopkins*, jun. Enſign of the firſt Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Weſt-Greenwich*.

Thomas Wilcox, Lieutenant of the firſt Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Exeter*; in the Room of *William Gardner*, who refuſed.

Caleb Gardner, (Son of *Thomas*) Enſign; of the Second Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Exeter*; in the Room of *Thomas Bentley*, who refuſed.

John Thomas, Lieutenant, of the Company, or trained Band, in the Town of *Richmond*, in the Room of *Barnet Siſſon*, who refuſed.: And *Ezekiel Tefft*, Enſign of the ſaid Company.

William Carpenter, jun. Captain; *Zephaniah Randal*, Lieutenant; and *Joſhua Turner*, jun. Enſign; of the firſt Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Cranſton*.

Iſrael

Iſrael Carpenter, Captain; *Daniel Thornton*, Lieutenant; and *Zebedee Clemence*, Enſign; of the Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Johnſton*.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Allowance to the ſeveral Priſon-Keepers in this Colony, for all ſuch as are, or ſhall be confined for criminal Offences, and by them the ſaid Priſon-Keepers victualled, be, and hereby is augmented to Four Pounds *per* Week.

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged by *Jonathan Bowers*, againſt *William Mumford*, Eſq; Captain of the Fort upon *Goat-Iſland*, in the Townſhip of *Newport*, for a Boat, Oars, and ſo forth, by the ſaid *Jonathan* provided for the Uſe of the ſaid Fort. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Four Hundred and Four Pounds, Three Shillings and Six-pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid Capt. *Mumford* out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT for reviving the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in the County of *Newport*.

WHEREAS the Court abovementioned, which was begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*, on the firſt Tueſday of *March* laſt, ſtood adjourned unto the Monday next after the laſt General Election fell through, whereby a Stop was put to all Buſineſs then pending in the ſaid Court.

WHEREFORE, be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all Buſineſs that remained unfiniſhed in the ſaid Court, be proceeded in at the next Seſſion thereof, heard, tried and adjudged upon, as fully, amply, and effectually to all the Intents and Purpoſes, as if the ſame had been continued from the laſt Court unto the next. And that this Act be publiſhed immediately:

Which was done accordingly, on the Twenty-third Day of *Auguſt*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, by

Tho. Ward, *Secr'y.*

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Martin Howard*, jun. and *John Grelea*, jun. Eſqrs. be joined with his Honor the Governor, and *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſq; in reviſing the Laws of the Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum in the Town of

Newport

Newport, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, in ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame unto the ſeveral Officers, who by the Laws of the Colony are appointed to receive and take Charge of them; and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *October* next, if called at that Time by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor: But if not called before or at the ſaid Time, that then this Aſſembly be diſſolved.

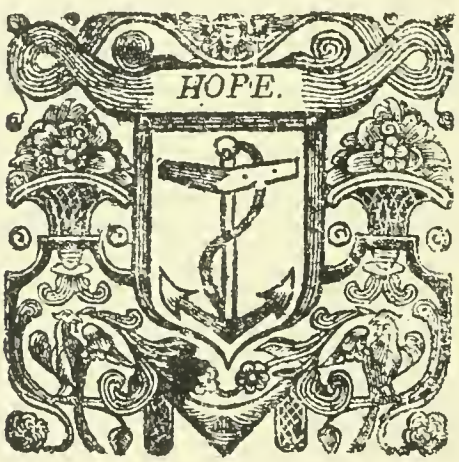
GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Twenty-ſixth Day of Auguſt, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Tho Ward Secry*



OCTOBER, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and Thirty-fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq; JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq; NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq; JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq; FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*

PROVIDENCE,
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Abraham Smith, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

Portſmouth;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel*.

Warwick;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Mr. *Thomas Rice*.

Weſterly;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.

Newſhoreham;

Newſhoreham ;
None.
North-Kingſtown ;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
South-Kingſtown ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
Eaſt-Greenwich ;
Lieut. Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
Jameſtown ;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *John Gardner*.
Smithfield ;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.
Scituate ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Gloceſter ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*.
Charleſtown ;
Capt. *Robert Potter*,
Weſt-Greenwich ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Coventry ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*.

Exeter ;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *John Chapman*,
Middletown ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
Briſtol ;
Mr. *Simon Davis*,
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds*.
Tiverton ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Little-Compton ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.
Warren ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
Cumberland ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Richmond ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.
Cranſton ;
Mr. *Benjamin Burton*,
Maj. *Benjamin Potter*.
Hopkinton ;
Capt. *Benjamin Randal*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
Johnſton ;
Capt. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Mr. *Obadiah Brown*.

THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; was choſen Speaker : And

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *William Hunter*, of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Phyſician, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that *Joſeph Rodman* of the ſame *Newport*, Mariner, proſecuted an Ejectment againſt him, for the Poſſeſſion of half a Houſe in ſaid Town, and Iſſue being joined thereon, in a Matter of Law, the Inferior Court which ſat at *Newport* in *May* laſt, gave Judgment for the ſaid *William Hunter* ; when the ſaid *Joſeph* being diſſatisfied, made his Appeal to the next Superior Court ; and when the ſame came before the Judges to be heard, two of the Juſtices, *to wit*, his Honor the Deputy Governor and Mr. Juſtice *Clarke*, were nearly related to the ſaid *Joſeph Rodman*, and declined giving Judgment in the Caſe : And the Petitioner being willing to be determined by the remaining three Juſtices; but Mr. *Rodman* moved, that the Cauſe might be continued until the General

Aſſembly ſhould be applyed to, to fill the Court for the Cauſe aforeſaid; and the Caſe was continued accordingly. Whereupon, he the ſaid *William Hunter* prayed this Aſſembly to appoint two ſpecial Juſtices, for hearing and deciding the Cauſe aforeſaid, at the next Sitting of the Superior Court in *Newport*.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Enacted by this Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, That *Francis Willet*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed Judges in the Caſe aforeſaid, in the Room of his Honor the Deputy Governor, and *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; and to ſit in their Places, and that they be commmiſſioned accordingly.

Whereas Mr. *Benoni Smith*, of *Weſterly*, was by the General Aſſembly, at their laſt Seſſion, appointed to repair *Paucatuck* Bridge, at the Charge of the Colony: Which having done, he the ſaid *Benoni*, exhibited his Account, and the ſame being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved;* That it be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eight Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Nine Pence, *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benoni Smith*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Andrews*. of *Providence*, Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, hath ſent him a large Number of old Mortgage Deeds, belonging to the County of *Providence*, in Order to their being ſued out; And the General Treaſurer hath alſo ſent a large Number of Bonds belonging to the ſaid Deeds. And as the ſame will be attended with more Expence before Trial, than all the Fees allowed by Law, for ſuing and proſecuting the ſame, will amount to, no Perſon can poſſibly do the Colony and himſelf Juſtice, without a farther Allowance for doing ſuch Buſineſs, or an Augmentation of the Fees, *and ſo forth.*

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid *John Andrews* do immediately ſend a Liſt of the Colony's Mortgage Deeds now in his Hands, to each reſpective Town Clerk in the County of *Providence*. And the ſaid Town-Clerks are hereby required to diſcover as ſoon as poſſible, who the Perſons are that ſtand poſſeſſed of the Lands pledged to the Colony, by the ſaid Mortgages, and to inform the ſaid *John Andrews* thereof immediately, after Diſcovery ſhall be made as aforeſaid, he being obliged to put out Writs within three Weeks from this Time.

Whereas Mr. *Silas Downer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making out Muſter-Rolls for the Troops that were in the Government's Service, this and the laſt Year, and for making out Certificates for the ſaid Muſter-Rolls. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ninety-ſeven Pounds Fifteen

Fifteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas his Honor the Governor preſented unto this Aſſembly, the Muſter-Rolls of the Regiments raiſed by this Government, for the Campaigns of this and the laſt Year, to be laid before his Excellency General *Amherſt*, to obtain Payment of the Four Pence *per* Day, allowed by the Crown. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor, be, and he is hereby requeſted forthwith to impower Col. *Henry Babcock*, to wait on the General with the ſaid Muſter-Rolls, in Order to receive what is due thereon, to the Colony, in Caſh, if poſſible: But if that be not to be had, then in Bills.

And his Honor the Governor, is alſo requeſted to ſend the Muſter-Roll for the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, which hath been omitted hitherto.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That Sixty Dollars be allowed and paid the aforeſaid Col. *Babcock* out of the General Treaſury, for his Time, Trouble, and Expence in the ſaid Affair. And, that what Money or Bills he ſhall receive, be, by him lodged in the General Treaſury, and he take the Treaſurer's Receipt therefor.

Whereas Mr. *James Franklin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly. an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders made and paſt by the General Aſſembly at their late Seſſion in *Auguſt*, for providing Paper for that Service, and for publiſhing in his News-Paper, two Advertiſements, one in *January*, and the other in *February*, for calling and poſtponing a Court of Enquiry, and for publiſhing a large Advertiſement ordered by the General Aſſembly, reſpecting Mortgages and Bonds, due from Perſons in the County of *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty-ſix Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *George Lawton*, keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Board, *and ſo forth*, of *Samuel Parcks*, and *Benjamin Hawkins*, who were lately executed at ſaid *Newport*, for Piracy, Robbery, and Felony, done, and committed upon the high Sea. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-three Pounds Eight Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Nehemiah Ward*, of *Providence*, Carter, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Month of *January*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſix, he and his Team were impreſſed at *Providence*, to carry from thence to *Boſton*, a Number of ſick Soldiers, belonging to a Company commanded by one Capt. *Douglaſs*, who was marching with his ſaid Company from *New-York* to *Boſton*. That he the Petitioner, performed the Buſineſs in a moſt ſevere Seaſon, and violent Snow-Storm, whereby he was much retarded, and put to very great Expences, which he was oblig'd to lay out of his own Pocket,

Pocket; for which Service and Expences, the ſaid *Nehemiah* prayed a reaſonable Allowance, as he never had received any Pay or Satisfaction for the ſame.

And the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, being duly enquired into, and conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fourteen Dollars, or Eighty-four Pounds, Old-Tenor, be allowed and paid unto the aforeſaid *Nehemiah Ward*, out of the General Treaſury; and that the Government apply unto his Excellency General *Amherſt*, to be reimburſed.

Whereas *Amos Atwell*, of *Providence*, Blackſmith, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for a Pair of Shackles by him made, to put on *Joſeph Hews*, who was confined in His Majeſty's Gaol, at *Providence*; for Hinges, Staples, and other Ironwork, by him the ſaid *Amos* done and provided for the ſaid Gaol. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-ſeven Pounds Six Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Amos Atwell*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas ſundry of the Regiment, laſt raiſed in this Colony, for his Majeſty's Service, did not march out of the Government, and others left the Regiment, before its Arrival at *Albany*. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War, call upon all ſuch Perſons to refund what Money they receiv'd from the Colony; and upon Refuſal, or Neglect of Payment, to ſue for the ſame. And that every Perſon who at any Time deſerted from the ſaid Regiment, be taken up, and proſecuted according to Law.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Thurſday the twentieth Day of the next Month, be obſerved as a Day of General Thankſgiving, throughout this Colony, for the Succeſs of His Majeſty's Arms, in the Reduction of *Canada*. And his Honor the Governor is requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation accordingly, and therein forbid all ſervile Labor on the ſaid Day.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, That the Ferriage between *Newport* and *Jameſtown*, and between *Jameſtown* and *North* and *South-Kingſtown*, be, and hereby is augmented and ſtated, at the following Prices in Old-Tenor, *to wit*,

For every Footman,	£.	0	4 0
For a ſingle Perſon, who will have the Boat put off,		0	8 0
For a Man and Horſe,		0	8 0
For every Drift Horſe,		0	10 0
For every Neat Beaſt, above two Years old,		0	12 0
For every Neat Beaſt, under two Years old,		0	10 0
For every Calf,		0	3 0
For every Hog,		0	3 0

For

For every Sheep,	0	2	0
For every Lamb,	0	2	0
For every Horſe and Chaiſe, or Chair,	2	0	0

And it is farther Enacted, That the Ferrymen be under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions, in every other Reſpect, as the Laws now ſtand.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all the Officers, and Soldiers, now in the Pay of this Government, be diſbanded, by Proclamation, to be iſſued by his Honor the Governor, at the End of Fifteen Days after they ſhall have receiv'd their Diſcharge from the General, with Orders for marching Home, excepting ſuch as ſhall make it appear to the Committee of War, that they have been detain'd by Sickneſs, or ſome other unavoidable Accident. And that all the Officers and Soldiers who have left the Regiment, ſince its firſt Arrival at *Albany*, ſhall not receive their Wages, until they ſhall produce to the Committee of War, proper Furloughs, or Certificates, from their commanding Officers, that they had full Liberty for leaving the Regiment. And that the Committee of War pay all the Wages they ſhall find to be due to the Officers and Soldiers, at the Time they ſhall be diſbanded, and that the whole of the Tax, now collecting and paying into the General Treaſury, be appropriated to the Paying off the Officers and Soldiers, and that the Money, remaining in the Treaſury, when that ſhall be compleated, be applyed to the Paying the other Charges of the Expedition.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee which was appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be continued for that Purpoſe, and that Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, be appointed one of the ſaid Committee, in the Room of Mr. *Simon Peaſe*, jun. who refus'd: And that they take an Account of the Money received by ſaid Committee of War, out of the General Treaſury, as well as of the Money by them paid to the Officers and Soldiers. And that the Committee of War, procure their Accounts, to be audited, and laid before the General Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, be, and hereby is requeſted, to iſſue forthwith, a Proclamation, prohibiting the Inhabitants of this Colony, and all others reſiding within the ſame, from trading, or having any Commerce with the Subjects of the *French King*, during the Continuance of the preſent War; and if any preſume to tranſgreſs, he or they ſhall be puniſhed with the utmoſt Severity.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, be, and hereby is requeſted, with the Advice and Conſent of the Honorable the Upper-Houſe, to write an Anſwer to the Letter of Mr. Secretary *Pitt*, and lay a Copy thereof, before this Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion.

It

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Forty, ſend Copies of the ſame unto the ſeveral Officers, who by the Laws of this Colony are appointed to receive and take Charge of them; and that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *February* next, then to meet at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*.

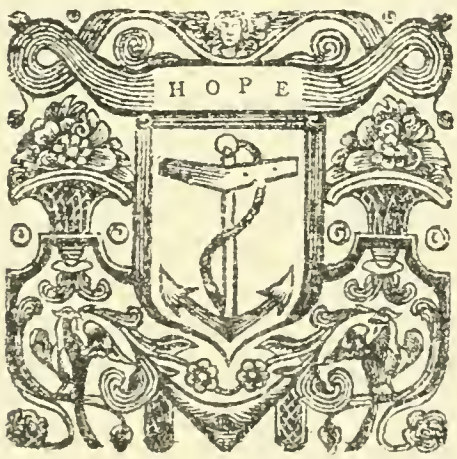
GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the 12th *Day of* November, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, by*

THO. WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Edm^d Thurſton, Junr. Depſecry.*



DECEMBER, 1760.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden (in Conſequence of a Warrant iſſued by his Honor the Governor) at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Wedneſday the Thirty-firſt Day of *December*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, and in the Thirty-fourth Year of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

JAMES HONEMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;
} Aſſiſt.

JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
} Aſſiſt.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
The Speaker.
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq.
Abraham Smith, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt *Stephen Rawſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Mr. *Richard Greene*.
Mr. *Thomas Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.

Newſhoreham;

NEW-SHOREHAM ;
None.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Lieut. Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *John Gardner*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*,
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.
GLOCESTER ;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*.
CHARLESTOWN ; None.
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
EXETER ;
Mr. *John Chapman*.

MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *Simon Davis*,
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds*.
TIVERTON ;
None.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
None.
WARREN ;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Major *Richard Bailey*,
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.
CRANSTON ;
John Burton, Eſq;
Maj. *Benjamin Potter*.
HOPKINTON ;
None.
JOHNSTON ;
Capt. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Mr. *Obadiah Brown*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

An ACT to impower the Directors of Lotteries, and Town Treaſurers, to call Special Courts.

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Directors of all the Lotteries already granted, or that ſhall hereafter be granted by the General Aſſembly, for raiſing Money for any Public Uſe, and each of them, ſhall for the more ſpeedy Recovering all ſuch Sums as are or ſhall become due for Tickets, have the ſame Power of calling Special Courts, under the ſame Rules and Regulations as the Vendue Maſters in this Colony have: And that all Perſons entitled to a Prize or Prizes from any Director, after demanding Payment, and Refuſal or Neglect of the ſame, ſhall have Power to call Special Courts in like Manner, for the Recovery of the Money due to them, from ſuch Directors.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſeveral Town Treaſurers in this Colony, have the ſame Power in every Reſpect, of calling Special Courts upon the Collectors of the Town-Rates, as the General Treaſurer hath, of calling Special Courts upon the Collectors of the Colony Rates. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary hereof, in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

Both

December, 1760.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, the following Officers were choſen, *to wit*;

Henry Ward, Eſq; Secretary for the remaining Part of the Year, in the Room of *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; deceaſed.

Charles Spooner, Captain; *John Gardner* (Son of *William*) Lieutenant; and *Jethro Spooner*, Enſign; of the firſt Company, or trained Band in the Town of *Newport*.

Thomas Richardſon (Son of *Ebenezer*) Captain; *Ebenezer Davenport*, jun. Lieutenant; and *Jonathan Davenport*, Enſign; of the ſecond Company or trained Band, in the Town of *Newport*.

John Holden, Eſq; Third, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; Fourth, Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

WHEREAS a Number of the Soldiers in the Service of this Colony, did, after the Reduction of *Montreal*, deſert or leave the Regiment without Liberty, and thereby forfeited their Wages: *And whereas*, many of the ſaid Soldiers, are under Age, whoſe Parents and Maſters were no Ways privy to their deſerting, and others are very poor, and their Families neceſſitous: *BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That all the Soldiers, who continued in the Service until the Surrender of *Montreal*, ſhall be entitled to Wages until the Time of their leaving the Regiment, and that they, their Parents or Maſters, reſpectively, ſhall be paid the ſame upon their producing to ſome one of the Committee of War, a Certificate from one of the commiſſioned Officers of the Company to which he belonged, of the Time of his leaving the Camp.

AND be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War account to the Colony for the Intereſt of all the Lawful Money they have received, or ſhall receive to pay the Soldiers with, from the laſt of *October*, to the fifteenth Day of *December* laſt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Andrew Boid*, who was appointed Quarter-Maſter of the Regiment in the Service of this Colony, the laſt Campaign, be allowed the ſame additional Wages from the Date of his Warrant until his diſcharge, as the Quarter Maſter had the Campaign before laſt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Honyman*, *Joſias Lyndon*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the Widow of *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; late *Secretary* of this Colony, the Records, Letters, Papers, and all other Things belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent *Secretary*, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

WHEREAS ſeveral Perſons preferred a Petition, and repreſented to this Aſſembly, That by a Law of this Colony now in Force, a Debtor may ſuffer himſelf to be committed to Goal, and by repreſenting himſelf *Inſolvent*, may recover from his Creditors, weekly, a large Sum of Money, more than is neceſſary for his Subſiſtence; and that no Proviſion is made, that ſuch Debtors when in Circumſtances ſufficient, ſhall repay what has been allowed them for their Maintenance, during the Time they were in Goal, which they apprehended to be the Intent of the Law: And therefore prayed this Aſſembly to repeal ſaid Law, or make

make ſuch an Alteration therein, as will diſcourage Debtors from going to Goal.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That this Petition be referred to the next Seſſion of Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time, no inſolvent Debtor in Goal ſhall receive more than Five Pounds a Week from all his Creditors at whoſe Suit he is in Goal, in equal Proportion, and that he may recover the whole of any one Creditor, and ſuch Creditor may recover all but his own Proportion, of the other Creditors.

WHEREAS the Money raiſing by the two Claſſes of a Lottery granted by the General Aſſembly, for purchaſing a Lot of Land in *Providence*, on which to erect the Court-Houſe, will be inſufficient for that Purpoſe: *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Directors of ſaid Lottery, or the major Part of them, be, and they are hereby impowered to ſet forth a third Claſs of the ſaid Lottery, in the ſame Manner, in every Reſpect with the other Claſſes: And that if the Money which ſhall be raiſed thereby, ſhall be more than ſufficient to pay for ſaid Lot, the Surpluſage thereof, after the reaſonable Charges attending ſaid Lottery are deducted, ſhall be appropriated towards building ſaid Court-Houſe.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to audit and ſettle the General Treaſurer's Accounts, be alſo impowered to ſettle the late *Secretary's* Accounts with the Colony, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be: And that for the future, the *Secretary*, for the Time being, ſhall always from Time to Time, lay his Accounts before the General Aſſembly, in Order for Payment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer put in Suit every Note or Notes, Bond or Bonds, now due to the Colony (excepting the Bonds for the Intereſt of the Loan Money, to any Court in this Colony) within twenty Days from the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made to this Aſſembly, that the Sutler who ſupplied the Regiment in the Service of this Colony, the laſt Campaign, hath charged the Officers and Soldiers more than the General Orders given out from Time to Time in the Camp: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War, when they ſhall pay the Wages of the Officers and Soldiers, ſhall inſpect the Sutler's Accounts, and whatever they ſhall find charged to any Officers or Soldiers, at a higher Rate than the General Orders given out for the Places where they have from Time to Time been, ſhall be deducted out of his Account: And that whenever any Officer or Soldier ſhall require it, the Sutler ſhall be obliged to make Oath to the Truth of his Account.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within ten Days after

after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *February* next, then to meet at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Eigth Day of January, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by.*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

FEBRUARY, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Twenty-third Day of *February*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;	
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;		HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;	

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The Speaker.
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Abraham Smith, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel*

WARWICK,
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Mr. *Richard Greene*,
Mr. *Thomas Rice*

WESTERLY;

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Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.
NEW-SHOREHAM;
Edward Sands, Eſq;
NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
James Gardner, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH;
Lieut. Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *John Gardner*.
SMITHFIELD;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.
SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.
GLOCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*.
CHARLESTOWN;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*,
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
COVENTRY;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*.
EXETER;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *John Chapman*.
MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL;
Mr. *Simon Davis*.
TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.
WARREN;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;
RICHMOND;
Major *Richard Bailey*,
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.
CRANSTON;
None.
HOPKINTON;
Capt. *Benjamin Randal*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
JOHNSTON;
Capt. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Mr. *Obadiah Brown*.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Act laying a Fine on the Members of the Houſe of Deputies, for not attending on the General Aſſembly, of Forty Shillings for the firſt Day, and Twenty Shillings for every Day after the firſt, be, and the ſame is hereby repealed, and rendered Null and Void.

WHEREAS *James Honyman*, *Joſias Lyndon*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. who were appointed a Committee to receive the Records, Letters, Papers, and all other Things belonging to the Secretary's Office, of the Widow of *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; late Secretary, and deliver them to the preſent Secretary, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame, made Report to this Aſſembly, that they had performed that Service, and preſented a Liſt they had taken of every Thing they had received and delivered, with the Receipt of the preſent Secretary thereon; and to the ſaid Report, ſubjoined the following Account, to wit;

COLONY

COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND - - Dr.---

To our Time in performing the above-mentioned Service.

	£.
James Honyman, 1 Day,	5
Joſias Lyndon, 1 Day,	5
Peter Bours, 1 Day,	5
Edward Thurſton, jun. 2 Days,	10
	£. 25

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted, and that the Sum of Twenty-five Pounds, being the Amount of the above Account, be paid the ſaid *James Honyman*, *Joſias Lyndon*, *Peter Bours*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to procure his Majeſty's Proclamation for eſtabliſhing all the Officers in this Colony, who were appointed in the Reign of the late King GEORGE the Second, of bleſſed and glorious Memory, and alſo the Order of his Majeſty in Council, altering the Form of Prayer in the Liturgy, for the Royal Family, to be printed in the *Newport Mercury*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Eaſton*, *Caleb Greene*, *John Dexter*, and *Stephen Potter*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the Committee appointed to build the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, and make Report to this Aſſembly before the Riſing of the ſame.

WHEREAS *James Lucena*, Merchant, late a Subject of the King of *Portugal*, but now reſiding in *Newport*, in this Colony, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that ſome Time ago he came into this Colony with his Family, and brought his Eſtate with him, with a Deſign to ſettle here; and thereupon prayed that an Act of Naturalization may be paſſed in his Favor.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the ſaid *James Lucena* be, and he is hereby naturalized, and forever hereafter, ſhall be adjudged, deemed, and taken, to be naturalized, to all Intents and Purpoſes, and hereby is rendered and made equal in every Reſpect, to a freeborn Subject of this Colony; provided he take the proper Oaths.

And afterwards, to wit, on the Sixth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty One, and in the firſt Year of His Majeſty's Reign, the ſaid *James Lucena* came before his Honor the Deputy Governor, and the Secretary, and took and ſubſcribed the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament.

WHEREAS *James Lucena*, of *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, Merchant, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that he hath acquired from the King's Manufactory in *Portugal*, the true Method of making Soap of the ſame Kind and Quality as that made in *Caſtile*, in *Spain*, and called *Caſtile Soap*: That he propoſes to ſet up the Manufactory

nufactory thereof in this Colony: That the Procuring one of the chief Materials, will employ many poor People, and the Manufactory be otherwiſe highly beneficial to the Public, by furniſhing a great and valuable Article of Commerce, which may be exported to all Parts of the Continent, to the *Weſt-Indies*, and ſo forth: And thereupon prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act, granting him the ſole Privilege of making and vending the ſaid *Caſtile Soap*, for the Term of ten Years from the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and prohibit all other Perſons whatſoever, from making Soap during that Term, of the ſame new Materials which he propoſes to uſe, under ſuch Penalties as may be ſufficient to ſecure the Buſineſs to the Petitioner. And the ſaid *James Lucena* further repreſented, that he did not mean thereby to exclude others from making any Kind of Soap now uſually made in this Colony, but only ſuch as might from his Example be induced to make it with his new Materials, which were never uſed in this Colony.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the ſaid *James Lucena* be, and the ſame is hereby granted, upon Condition that he proceed upon the Manufactory aforeſaid, within two Years from the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that at the End or Expiration of the above-mentioned Term of ten Years, he diſcover the Secret or Myſtery of the ſaid Buſineſs or Manufacture, to the General Aſſembly of this Colony, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as ſhall be by them appointed to receive the ſame, upon the Penalty of One Thouſand Pounds Sterling.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, within this Colony, ſhall preſume to ſet up or follow the ſaid Buſineſs during the aforeſaid Term of ten Years, upon the Penalty of One Thouſand Pounds Sterling.

Whereas there are three Actions pending before the Superior Court of Judicature, to be holden at *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*, on the firſt Tueſday of *March* next, between Mr. *Jonathan Ellis* and Mr. *Timothy Brown*; in which Caſes, *William Richmond*, Eſq; one of the Judges of ſaid Court, is intereſted, and declines acting: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *James Helme*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby appointed a Special Judge in the ſaid Caſes, in the Room of the ſaid *William Richmond*, Eſq; and that his Honor the Governor commiſſionate him accordingly.

Whereas *Henry Paget* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Government, for the Uſe of his Horſe by *William Barker*, to carry the Proclamations for proclaiming the King to the ſeveral Counties in this Colony: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Henry Paget* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Barker* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in carrying

rying the Proclamations for proclaiming the King, to *Warwick, South-Kingstown, Newport*, and *Briſtol* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof be paid the ſaid *William Barker* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted, and fully empowered, to draw Bills of Exchange for the Money paid by the Colony to the Seamen raiſed therein in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, who ſerved on Board his Majeſty's Ship *Pembroke*, in the River of *St. Lawrence*, and lodge the ſaid Bills with the General Treaſurer, to be by him ſold for Silver or Gold, to the beſt Advantage.

Whereas *Benjamin Rice* and *Charles Rice* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they were on Board the Sloop *Mary*, a Tranſport in the Service of this Colony, employed in bringing Home Part of the Colony's Troops, and the Baggage of the Regiment : That having the Small Pox on Board, the Weather being calm, Night coming on, and their Stores almoſt exhauſted, they put into the Harbour of *Stonington*, in the Colony of *Connecticut*, on the ſeventh Day of *December*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty : That they, and all the Men who had not had the Small Pox, were by the Authority in ſaid *Stonington*, taken out of the ſaid Sloop : That they procured a Pilot to bring her Home ; but by Reaſon of their being taken out of ſaid Sloop, and the Violence of the Weather, ſhe was caſt on Shore on a Reef of Rocks, and together with the Effects in her, expoſed to Ruin : That they have ſince had the Small Pox, and been unable to go and take Care of the Veſſel and Baggage ; and being informed, that if they appeared in *Stonington*, they ſhould be proſecuted upon Account of the Charge that has accrued upon the ſick Soldiers, or that the Veſſel would be ſold to pay the ſame, they thereupon prayed this Aſſembly for Relief.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War, or any Three of them, make Inquiry into the Circumſtances of the Sloop belonging to the abovementioned *Benjamin Rice* and others, which was bringing Soldiers from *Albany*, and was caſt away at *Stonington*, and what Charge ſhall appear to ſaid Committee of War to be juſtly due from this Colony to the Colony of *Connecticut*, or any of the Inhabitants thereof, on Account of the ſick Soldiers which were on Board ſaid Sloop ; and alſo on Account of all other ſick Soldiers returning from the laſt Campaign, be paid by the Committee of War.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Eliſha Weaver* be Captain, and *Nathan Greene* Enſign of the Second Company or Trained Band, in the Town of *Weſt-Greenwich*, in the Room of *Shebna Spink* and *George Dyre*, who refuſed : And that *Palmer Gardner* be Enſign of the Third Company or Trained Band, in the aforeſaid Town, in the Room of *Sylveſter Gardner*, who refuſed.

February, 1761.

Whereas *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Tillinghaſt*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. were appointed a Committee to ſettle the Accounts of *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, with the Colony: And they having undertaken that Service, preſented unto this Aſſembly, the following State of his Account, to wit:

Dr.— *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, with the Colony of RHODE-ISLAND.

1761.	*Old-Tenor.*	*Lawful Money.*	*Dollars.*
TO Balance of old Account, audited *Nov.* 27, 1758,	14957 1 3½		
To Lawful Money received from the Grand Committee, emitted *December*, 1758,		10909 1 9	
To Old-Tenor Rate, made 1758,	110000 0 0		
To Lawful Money *ditto*, 1759,		11000 0 0	
To *ditto* emitted *March* and *April*, 1759,		16000 0 0	
To *ditto June*, 1759,		4000 0 0	
To *ditto March*, 1760,		16000 0 0	
To ditto *May*, 1760,		11000 0 0	
To Old-Tenor, Lawful Money, and Dollars hired, from Page 45,	99566 9 10	217 13 5	15279⅓
To Intereſt of the Ninth Bank, for the Years 1758 and 1759,	23703 14 0		
To Bills of Exchange and Dollars received of *Henry Babcock*, £. 600 Sterling, at 24 for 1, Dollars at 6*l.* is 2400 Dol. received in Dollars, 2147;			4547⅓
To *ditto* received in Dollars from *New-York*, being what was granted to the Colony by the Crown,			34504
To *ditto* received of *Henry Babcock* in *February*, 1761,			6968
To Bills of Exchange received from *ditto* for 627*l.* 4 11 Sterling, ſold to pay *Brenton* and *Wickham*'s Bond at 27 for 1.	16880 18 0		
To Lawful Money Rate, made 1760,		15547 0 0	
	265108 3 1½	84673 15 2	61299½

CREDITOR.

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1761,	*Old-Tenor.*	*Lawful Money.*	*Dollars.*
By Caſh paid from *Nov.* 27, 1758, to *Feb.* 1761, taken from the Treaſurer's Alphabetical Book, Page 41,	15947 2 11	1599 4 10¼	349¼
By *ditto* paid on Account of the Colony's Brigantine,		54 9 0	
By Amount of Page 42,	225322 16 7		
By *ditto* Page 43,		79799 11 9	
By *ditto*, Page 44,			46634¼
By his Salary from *October*, 1758, to *May* 1759,	300 0 0		
By one Year's *ditto* to *May*, 1760,	1000 0 0		
By *Crown-Point* Money received and burnt, £. 760 9 6			190¾
By the Amount of Dollars paid for Treaſurer's Notes that were given for *Crown-Point* Money,			9391¼
By Balance due from the General Treaſurer to the Colony,	22538 3 7¼	3220 9 6¼	4733
	265108 3 1¼	84673 15 2	61299¾

Upon which Account the ſaid Committee made the following Report.

"WE do Report, that we have carefully examined all the Books and Vouchers in the General Treaſurer's Office, and have auditted the ſame, and find that there is due from *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, to the Colony, £. 22538 3 7¼ Old Tenor, and £. 3220 9 6¼ Lawful Money; both which Sums added together, amount to £. 81580 4 10 Old Tenor, as will appear by the foregoing Account ſtated; ſaid Sums being found to be due in Monies, Bonds, Rates, and outſtanding Debts, and ſo forth, and alſo 4733 Dollars now in the Treaſury: All which we ſubmit to the General Aſſembly.

Witneſs our Hands,

Newport, Feb. 18, 1761. *Thomas Cranſton*, } Committee.
Peter Bours,
Solomon Townſend
for *John Tillinghaſt*, Eſq;

Whereupon It is Voted and Reſolved That the foregoing Report be and the ſame is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS *James Sheffield*, *Immanuel Northup*, and *Joſeph Lippitt*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, or any Two of them, were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War: and *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs; having laid before this Aſſembly, a State of the Account of *Abraham Smith*, Eſq; and made Report as followeth, to wit:

Dr.--- The COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND, with *Abraham Smith*.

To the Amount of his Account, conſiſting of Muſter-Rolls, Receipt Books, and ſo forth. £. 9886 12 6¾

CREDITOR.

By Caſh receiv'd of the General Treaſurer - - - £. 9796 8 0¾
Balance due to *Abraham Smith*; 90 4 6¼
£. 9886 12 6¾

Providence

February, 1761.

Providence, February the 19th, 1761.

WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, do report that we have carefully examined the Accounts of *Abraham Smith* (a Member of ſaid Committee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears, that there is a Balance of £. 90 4 6· Lawful Money juſtly due from the Colony, to ſaid *Smith*, including his Commiſſions on the Money, paid, calculated at the Rate of One and an Half *per Cent*. We likewiſe find that he has given the Colony Credit, for all the Money received of the General Treaſurer. As Witneſs our Hands,

Joſeph Lippitt,
Immanuel Northup, } Committee.

And the Premiſes being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame hereby is accepted, and that Ninety Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence One Farthing, Lawful Money, being the Balance due to the ſaid *Abraham Smith*, be paid him out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the lower End of *Thames Street*, in ſaid Town, being very muddy and miry, renders it extremely inconvenient to carry on Buſineſs there: That the Paving thereof will be attended with conſiderable Advantages to all Perſons who are obliged frequently to paſs and repaſs in that Part of the Town, and to the Inhabitants in general: And thereupon prayed this Aſſembly for Liberty to open and ſet forth a Lottery, conſiſting of Two Claſſes, each of which to be in every Reſpect ſimilar to a Scheme with the ſaid Petition preſented, with ſuch Regulations and Securities as ſhould be thought proper, in Order to raiſe the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds: And that the Perſons who may be appointed Directors, be empowered and required to apply the ſame to the Paving the lower End of ſaid Street, beginning at the Houſe of *Abraham Redwood*, Eſq; and continuing the ſame until the whole of the ſaid Money ſhall be expended.

SCHEME of the Firſt Claſs of the ſaid Lottery, preſented with ſaid Petition, conſiſting of Four Thouſand Tickets, at Six Pounds Old-Tenor each; of which Thirteen Hundred and Ten to be Prizes, ſubject to no Deduction, of the following Value, to wit:

1	of	£. 1000	is	£. 1000
1	of	500	is	500
1	of	300	is	300
2	of	200	are	400
4	of	100	are	400
7	of	70	are	490
14	of	50	are	700
45	of	30	are	1350
130	of	20	are	2600
1105	of	12	are	13260
1310 Prizes, amounting to				£. 21000
2690 Blanks.			For the Pavement,	3000
4000 Tickets, at Six Pounds each,				£. 24000

And

And the Premiſes being conſidered,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and the Scheme by them preſented with their Petition, approved; and that Meſſi'rs. *Evan Malbone, Benjamin Wickham, Philip Wilkinſon, Iſaac Stelle, John Malbone, Samuel Freebody, Benjamin Greene,* and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby conſtituted Directors of the ſaid Lottery, and are hereby empowered and required to apply the Money which ſhall be raiſed thereby, according to the Tenor of the ſaid Petition: And that they ſeparately give Bond to the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Prizes not demanded within Six Months after a Liſt of the ſame ſhall be publiſhed, be forfeited, and applied towards carrying on ſaid Pavement.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Streets of the ſaid Town are ſo bad, that at ſome Seaſons of the Year it is almoſt impracticable to paſs: That this Inconvenience is rendered ſtill greater, by the great Number of Carts and other Carriages coming into the ſaid Town: That the ſaid Streets from the Nature and Situation of the Ground, can never be made good and paſſable, unleſs they be paved: And therefore they prayed that a Lottery or Lotteries may be granted for raiſing ſuch a Sum of Money as ſhall be ſufficient for paving the ſaid Streets, of at leaſt ſuch Parts thereof as ſhall be judged more immediately neceſſary. And the ſaid Petitioners propoſed that the following Method be obſerved in carrying on ſaid Pavement, to wit: Firſt to begin and pave from the Bridge up Town, as far as the nett Proceeds of the Firſt Claſs will carry it: Secondly, to pave from the Bridge down Town, as far as the nett Proceeds of the Second Claſs will carry it: Thirdly, to pave from the Bridge Weſtward, over *Weyboſſet Neck*, as far as the nett Proceeds of the Third Claſs will carry it: And to continue 'till all Parts be done to general Satisfaction in the Town. All which being duly conſidered, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and that a Lottery, conſiſting of Three Claſſes, be ſet forth, agreeable thereto, for raiſing the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, to be applied towards paving the Streets in the ſaid Town of *Providence*, according to the aforeſaid Method, under the Direction of *Nicholas Cooke*, Eſq; Meſſi'rs *John Brown, Knight Dexter, Joſeph Bennett, Joſeph Bucklin*, and *George Jackſon*: And that they give ſufficient Bond for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Prizes not demanded within Six Months after a Liſt of the ſame ſhall be publiſhed, be forfeited, and applied to the carrying on ſaid Pavement.

Whereas the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Goal Delivery, which was to have been held at *Briſtol*, within and

for the County of *Briſtol*, on the Second Tueſday of *April* laſt, and on the ſecond Tueſday of *October* laſt, fell through, by Reaſon that a ſufficient Number of Judges did not meet; and thence great Failure of Juſtice is likely to enſue, unleſs a fit Remedy be provided for the ſame.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all Buſineſs lying or pending before ſaid Courts, at the Times the ſame fell through, as aforeſaid, ſhall be done and tranſacted at the next Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Goal Delivery, to be holden in ſaid County on the Second Tueſday of *April* next; and that the ſame ſhall be as good, binding, and effectual, to every Intent and Purpoſe, as if the ſaid Courts which fell through, had been actually held, and the Buſineſs then and there done, tranſacted, and effected.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs, were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War; and they having laid before this Aſſembly a State of the Accoun of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; together with their Report thereon, as followeth, to wit:

Dr.--- The COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND to *Gideon Comſtock*.

	Lawful Money.
1760, *June* 30th. To ſundry Payments, for which I have produced Vouchers, amounting to - - - - :	£. 985 13 1
To my Commiſſions on £. 985 13 1, at One and an Half *per Cent*.	14 15 8
	£. 1000 8 9

CONTRA	*Cr.*---
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer,	£. 1000
By Balance due to me,	8 9
	£. 1000 8 9

Gideon Comſtock.

Providence, July 19th, 1760.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, do report, That we have carefully examined the Accounts of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; (a Member of ſaid Committee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears, there is a Balance of Eight Shillings and Nine Pence Lawful Money, juſtly due from the Colony to ſaid *Comſtock*, including his Commiſſions on the Money paid, calculated at One and an Half *per Cent*. We likewiſe find, that he has given the Colony Credit for all the Money received of the General Treaſurer.

JOSEPH LIPPITT,
IMMANUEL NORTHUP, } Committee.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Eight Shillings and Nine Pence, being the Balance due to the ſaid *Gideon Comſtock*, be paid him out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

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WHEREAS *Benjamin Arnold*, Eſq: late Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1757, he ſerved ſeveral Writs on the Real Eſtate of *John Lyon*, late of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the ſaid County, who had left the Colony: That at the then next Inferior Court, held within and for ſaid County, Judgments were obtained againſt, and Executions levied upon the ſaid Eſtate, for Eleven Hundred Pounds: That he publicly advertiſed the ſaid Eſtate for Sale, according to Law, and ſearched the Records of the ſaid Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, where the ſaid Eſtate lay, and found it clear of all Incumbrances: That he ſold the ſame, conſiſting of an old Houſe and a ſmall Lot, at Public Vendue, for Five Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds, and made a Deed thereof to the Purchaſer, agreeable to Law, and paid out the whole of the ſaid Money to the Creditors, in proportion to the Amount of their Executions: That at *January* Term, 1760, the Truſtees of the Colony brought forward an Action againſt *Ebenezer Herrington*, who had bought, and was in Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Eſtate, upon an old Mortgage Deed, whereby *John Dickinſon* mortgaged the ſame to the Colony, for the Sum of £. 250, which he took in *Warwick*, where he then lived, and where the ſaid Deed appears to be recorded: That he was cited to defend in ſaid Action, and that the Court continued the ſame, that he might have an Opportunity to repreſent the Matter to the General Aſſembly: And as he performed his Duty as an Officer, according to Law, and the Committee who let out ſaid Money were the only Perſons in Fault: He prayed this Aſſembly to order the Action brought againſt the ſaid *Herrington*, to be withdrawn, or to interpoſe in ſuch Manner as ſhall be thought fit, ſo that he might not ſuffer in Conſequence of his Conduct, as an Officer in the aforeſaid Matter.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Philip Greene*, and *Stephen Low*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the Facts mentioned in the foregoing Petition, and make Report to the next Seſſion of Aſſembly, unto which the ſaid Petition is hereby referred, and that until that Time, all Proceedings in ſaid Affair be ſtayed.

WHEREAS *James Sheffield*, Eſq; and Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, preſented this Aſſembly with a State of the Account of *Thomas Greene*, Eſq; and their Report thereon, as followeth: to wit.

Dr.--- The COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND, with *Thomas Greene*.

To the Amount of his Account, conſiſting of Muſter-Rolls, Receipt Books, and ſo forth, auditted,	£. 5416 9 11

CREDITOR.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, - - - - -	£. 5368 12 2	
Balance due to *Thomas Greene*,	47 17 9	
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Newport,

February, 1761.

Newport, Feb. 12, 1761.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, do report, That we have carefully examined the Accounts of *Thomas Greene* (a Member of ſaid Commmittee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears, that there is a Balance of Forty-ſeven Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Nine Pence, Lawful-Money, juſtly due from the Colony to ſaid *Greene*, including his Commiſſions, on the Money paid, calculated at the Rate of One and an Half *per Cent.* We likewiſe find, that he has given the Colony Credit for all the Money received of the General Treaſurer.

As Witneſs our Hands,

James Sheffield,
Solomon Townſend, } Committee.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Forty-ſeven Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Nine Pence, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Greene*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Sheffield*, Eſq; and Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, laid before this Aſſembly, a State of the Accounts of *John Gardner*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. and their Report thereon, as followeth; to wit:

Dr.--- The COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND with *John Gardner*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*.

To the Amount of Orders drawn on the General-Treaſurer, in Favor of ſundry Perſons, for the Uſe of the Expeditions, from *September 8th*, 1758, to *January* 31, 1761. - -	£ 4081	3	8½
To the Amount of Receipts, auditted for Caſh paid jointly, on Account of the Expeditions,	1077	16	9½
To the Amount of *John Gardner*, his Account, conſiſting of Muſter Rolls, Receipt Books, and ſo forth, auditted.	7307	0	11
To the Amount of *Thomas Cranſton*, his Account conſiſting of Muſter-Rolls. Receipt Books, and ſo forth, auditted.	9842	13	2½
To the Amount of *Peter Bours*, his Account, conſiſting of Muſter Rolls, Receipt Books, and ſo forth. auditted.	5372	7	0
Lawful Money, £.	27681	1	8

CREDITOR.

By the Amount of Orders paid ſundry Perſons by the General Treaſurer, from *September* 8, 1758, to *January* 31, 1761,	£. 4081	3	8½
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer on joint Account.	£. 1077	16	9½

By

By the Amount of Caſh charged by the General Treaſurer, to Account of *John Gardner*, for the Uſe of the Expeditions.	7157	7	9		
Balance due to *John Gardner*,	149	13	2		
				£. 7307	0 11
By the Amount of Caſh charged by the General Treaſurer, to Account of *Thomas Cranſton*, for the Uſe of the Expeditions.	9734	12	10		
Balance due to *Thomas Cranſton*,	108	0	4½		
				£. 98.42	13 2½
By the Amount of Caſh charged by the General Treaſurer, to Account of *Peter Bours*, for the Uſe of the Expeditions.	5352	12	1½		
Balance due to *Peter Bours*	19	14	10½		
				£. 5372	7 0
				£. 27681	1 8

Newport, February 6th, 1761.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, do report, that we have careſully examined the Accounts of *John Gardner*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours* (Members of ſaid Committee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the Accounts auditted and ſettled; whereby it appears, that there is the following Balances juſtly due from the Colony; to *John Gardner*, One Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Two Pence; to *Thomas Cranſton*, One Hundred and Eight Pounds and Four Pence Halfpenny; and to *Peter Bours*, Nineteen Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny, including their Commiſſions, calculated at the Rate of One and an Half *per Cent.* upon the Money paid. We likewiſe find by Certificates from under the Hand of *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, that they have given the Colony Credit for all the Money received by them from Time to Time.

As Witneſs our Hands,

JAMES SHEFFIELD,
SOLO. TOWNSEND, } Committee.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the aforegoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That One Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Two Pence, being the Balance due from the Colony to *John Gardner*, Eſq; as appears by the above Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: That One Hundred and Eight Pounds and Four Pence Half-penny, being the Balance due to *Thomas Cranſton*, as appears by the above Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: And that Nineteen Pounds Fourteen Shillings and

Ten Pence Half-penny, being the Balance due to *Peter Bours*, Eſq; as appears by the above Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Fifteen Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, be paid out of the General Treaſury, to the Committee appointed to build the Colony Houſe in *Providence*; but that before the ſaid Money be paid, the Deed that is to be made to the Colony of the Lot whereon ſaid Houſe ſtandeth, ſhall be duly executed, the Dower relinquiſhed, the ſaid Deed recorded, and depoſited in the Secretary's Office: And that the ſaid Committee ſhall receive the ſaid Sum in Old-Tenor or in Lawful Money only. *And it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That *Philip Greene* and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. and Capt. *Benjamin Greene* be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to inſpect ſaid Building, and eſtimate what Sum of Money it will require to complete the ſame, and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion: And that no more Money be expended upon, nor Materials bought for the ſaid Houſe, more than ſhall be neceſſary to ſhingle and glaze the ſame, until the ſaid Committee ſhall make their Report.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the future, if any Perſon who ſhall remove from one Town and ſettle in another, and produce a Certificate from the Town Clerk of the Town from whence he removed, that he was a Freeholder in the ſaid Town, and had taken the Freeman's Oath, he ſhall be intitled to all the Privileges of a Freeman in the Town into which he ſhall remove, *provided* he poſſeſſes a Freehold Eſtate in the ſaid Town, ſufficient to qualify him to be a Freeman: And that if any Diſpute ſhall ariſe concerning his Eſtate, the Three Perſons appointed by Law in ſaid Town, ſhall determine the ſame.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the future, the eldeſt Son of a Freeholder, who is a Freeman, ſhall be admitted free, without being propounded Three Months.

Whereas *James Franklin* preſented to this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly, made and paſſed at their Seſſion held at *Providence*, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October* laſt, providing Paper for the ſame, printing Proclamations, and ſo forth: And the ſaid Account being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin* out of the General Treaſury; and that the Secretary, and the Clerk of the Lower Houſe be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the aforeſaid Account, and make Report to the next Seſſion, if they find any Thing further ought to be allowed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *Benjamin Greene* be, and he is hereby appointed to procure the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kent*, to be painted, and Window Shutters for the lower Part of ſaid Houſe,

to

to be made; and that he be empowered to draw the Sum of Eight Hundred Pounds Old Tenor for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Silas Downer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making Copies of Letters, Proclamations, and ſo forth, by Order of his Honor the Governor, which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-ſeven Pounds Three Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Nicholas Cooke* and *Philip Greene*, Eſqrs. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time and Trouble in auditting the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes* and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. with the Colony, for building the Gaol at *Providence*; which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Five Pounds be paid to the ſaid *Nicholas Cooke*, and Ten Pounds to the ſaid *Philip Greene*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Philip Greene*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Two Days Service in ſetling the Accounts between the Towns of *Providence* and *Cranſton*; which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ten Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid to the ſaid *Philip Greene*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Benjamin Hunt* of *Providence*, exhibited to this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe, at ſeveral Seſſions of the General Aſſembly, by the Honorable the Upper Houſe, who ſat there in Council. *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That *Jabez Bowen* and *Nicholas Cooke*, Eſqrs, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and ſettle the ſaid Account; and that whatever they ſhall allow thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Hunt*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Capt. *James Tew*, exhibited to this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Work done on the Colony-Houſe and Gaol in *Newport*, which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Tew*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Capt. *Charles Spooner*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Stuff provided for, and Work done on the Colony Houſe, and Gaol in *Newport*, which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Eleven Shillings and Six Pence the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Charles Spooner*, out of the General Treaſury.

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It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to complete the Billeting Rolls for the Regiment raiſed by this Colony in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-ſeven, and ſend them, as ſoon as may be, to the General at *New-York*, in Order for Payment: And to empower Mr. *Gerard G. Beekman*, of *New-York*, Merchant, to receive what is due on the ſaid Rolls, for the Uſe of the Colony, and ſend the ſame to the General Treaſurer.

An ACT for raiſing by Way of Lottery, the Sum of Twenty Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit of the Old-Tenor, to be appropriated for the Turning of one Branch of the River called *Paucatuck River*, into the large Pond in *Charleſtown*.

WHEREAS Thomas Ninigret, Chriſtopher Champlin, *and others, Inhabitants of the County of* Kings County, *preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Inhabitants living in ſeveral of the Towns, in the Southern Parts of this Colony, are put to great Trouble and Expence in tranſporting to Market the Produce of their Farms by Land, and bringing from Market Things neceſſary for their Families.* AND WHEREAS, *there is in the Town of* Charleſtown, *a large Pond, which may be made a good Harbour for ſmall Veſſels, and would be of great Utility and Advantage to the Inhabitants, provided the Communication of ſaid Pond with the Sea, could be kept open, which now is often interrupted.* AND WHEREAS; *the ſaid Petitioners are well adviſed, that the Turning of one Branch of a River, called* Paucatuck River, *into the ſaid Pond, would effectually keep open the ſaid Communication, ſo that ſmall Veſſels at all Times could with Eaſe and Conveniency paſs from and into ſaid Pond, would not only anſwer the Ends and Purpoſes aforeſaid, but would be of great Advantage to the Inhabitants, in carrying on the Cod-Fiſhery, and ſo forth.*
And this Aſſembly being deſirous to countenance and encourage ſo good a Deſign,

DO ENACT, and by the Authority veſted in them, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted; and that *Robert Potter*, *Gideon Hoxſey*, *John Champlin*, *Joſeph Hoxſey*, *John Congdon*, and *Samuel Burdick*, jun. be, and hereby are conſtituted Directors to ſign the Tickets, diſpoſe of the ſame, draw the Lottery, pay off the Prizes, and to do, act, tranſact, and perform every other Thing neceſſary to complete the Deſign of raiſing a ſufficient Sum for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: And that the ſaid Directors give Bond to the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them; who are not to have any Fees for their Trouble, as Directors.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the ſaid Sum of Twenty Thouſand Pounds ſhould not be ſufficient for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, the ſaid Petitioners ſhould repreſent the ſame to ſome future Aſſembly, for an additional Sum, to be raiſed in the ſame Manner, and no otherwiſe

Here

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Here follows the Scheme of the Firſt Claſs of the Lottery hereby granted; and is to conſiſt of Six Thouſand Tickets, at Eight Pounds Old-Tenor each; of which One Thouſand Nine Hundred and Sixteen are to be fortunate, as followeth; to wit:

1	of	£. 1000	is	£. 1000
1	of	800	is	800
4	of	500	are	2000
4	of	300	are	1200
6	of	200	are	1200
20	of	100	are	2000
40	of	50	are	2000
40	of	20	are	800
1800	of	15	are	28800
1916 Prizes, amount to				£. 39800
4084 Blanks.				
6000 Tickets, at Eight Pounds each,				£. 48000
			Deduct for the Work,	8200
				£. 39800

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, pay to *Deborah Johnſon*, Thirteen Pounds Old Tenor, for that Sum in torn Bills of Credit, which belonged to her, and were burnt in the Preſence of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *David Wilkinſon*, preſented to this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe, by the Judges of the Superior Court, at the Term held there, in *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, which being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty Pounds the Amount thereof, be deducted out of the Money due from the ſaid *David Wilkinſon*, to the Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *William Potter*, be, and he is hereby appointed to procure the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kings-County*, to be painted, and Window Shutters for the lower Part of the ſaid Houſe to be made; and that he be empowered to draw the Sum of Eight Hundred Pounds, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Benjamin Hunt* of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe, by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, who held the ſaid Court there: Which Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Hunt*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Committee who ſettled the Accounts of Mr. *David Wilkinſon* with the Colony, in *October*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, excepted againſt a Charge therein made, of Two Hun-

dred and Forty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Three Pence, as paid to *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; by Order of the General Treaſurer, for Want of a Voucher for the ſame: Which Sum, tho' not deducted from ſaid Account, was not allowed: And the ſaid *David Wilkinſon* having now produced a ſufficient Voucher for the ſaid Charge, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that the Settlement then made of the ſaid Account, be approved.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, laid before this Aſſembly, a State of the Account of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; and their Report on the ſame, as followeth, to wit;

Dr.--- The COLONY of RHODE-ISLAND, to *Robert Potter*, one of the Committee of War.

	Old Tenor.	*Lawful Money.*
1758.		
Oct. 23. To the the Foot of my Account, auditted *October* 23, 1758.	£. 69314 4 5½	£. 3780 15 6
1761.		
Feb. To ſundry Accounts Receipts, Muſter Rolls, &c. all properly vouched, from *Oct.* 23, 1758, to this Time.	162030 14 7½	£. 8838 10 7¼
		12619 6 1¼
To my Commiſſions on the Sum of £. 12619 6 1¼ at One and an Half *per Cent*		£. 189 5 9¼
		£. 12808 11 11

CREDITOR

By Money drawn out of the General Treaſury at ſundry Times, amounting to	£. 12777 11 5¾
Balance due,	31 0 5¼
	£. 12808 11 11

Eaſt-Greenwich, Feb. 28, 1761.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, do report, that we have carefully examined the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; (a Member of ſaid Committee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame; whereby it appears, that there is a Balance of Thirty-one Pounds and Five Pence One Farthing, Lawful Money, juſtly due from the Colony to ſaid *Robert Potter*, including his Commiſſions on the Money paid, calculated at the Rate

Rate of One and an Half *per Cent.* We likewiſe find, that he has given the Colony Credit for all the Money received of the General Treaſurer.

Joſeph Lippitt, *Immanuel Northup*, } Committee.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Thirty-one Pounds and Five Pence One Farthing, Lawful Money, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid the ſaid *Robert Potter*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun. exhibited to this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Expences which aroſe on his Horſe, that was impreſſed and hurt in the Service of the Colony, in *Auguſt*, 1757. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Thirty One Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edward Wells*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *William Spencer* exhibited an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his attending as a Waiter on this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Thomas Spencer* and *William Sweet* exhibited an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Attendance as Waiters on this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, and ſo forth: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-three Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Spencer* and *William Sweet* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and ſend a Copy of the ſame, together with the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, within Forty Days, to each Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time; but if not called before nor at that Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Ninth Day of March, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

MARCH, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden, in Conſequence of a Warrant iſſued by his Honor the Governor, at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Thirtieth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and in the Firſt Year of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

Aſſiſtants:
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
WILLIAM RICHMOND, Eſq;

Aſſiſt.
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
The Speaker,
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Abraham Smith, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſaiah Hawkins*,
Capt. *Stephen Rawſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Mr. *Richard Greene*,
Mr. *Thomas Rice*.

WESTERLY
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;

Capt. *Nathan Babcock*

NEW-SHOREHAM;

None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Col. *Immanuel Northup*,
James Gardner, Eſq;

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;

Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.

EAST-GREENWICH;

Lieut. Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.

JAMESTOWN,

William Haſzard, Eſq;
Mr. *John Gardner*.

SMITHFIELD;

Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.

SCITUATE;

Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.

GLOCESTER;

Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*.

CHARLESTOWN;

Robert Potter, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;

Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Pardon Tillinghaſt, Eſq;

COVENTRY;

Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Stephen Potter*.

EXETER,

Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *John Chapman*.

MIDDLETOWN;

Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.

BRISTOL;

Mr. *Simon Davis*,
Capt. *Joſeph Reynolds*.

TIVERTON;

Thomas Anthony, Eſq;

LITTLE-COMPTON

William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.

WARREN;

Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,
John Kinnicut, Eſq;

CUMBERLAND;

Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

RICHMOND;

Major *Richard Bailey*,
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.

CRANSTON;

John Burton, Eſq:
Maj. *Benjamin Potter*.

HOPKINTON;

Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

JOHNSTON;

Capt. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Mr. *Obadiah Brown*.
Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *John Tillinghaſt*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the late Secretary, laid before this Aſſembly a State of that Account, together with their Report thereon, as followeth, to wit:

Dr.---*COLONY of* Rhode-Iſland, *with the Eſtate of* Thomas Ward *Eſq; deceaſed.*

1761. *March* 10.

To the Amount of his Account againſt the Colony, beginning in the Year 1749,	£.	1051	12 7
To his Time, Trouble, and Expences, in draughting the Writ, Declaration, and ſo forth, in proſecuting an Action againſt *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; attending upon, and pleading the ſaid Cauſe, at *Providence*, and ſo forth, by Order of the General Aſſembly.		100	0 0

To

To *Peter Mumford's* Account for procuring to be printed in *Boſton*, the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly, made in *Auguſt* and *October*, 1759, £. 20 0 0

£. 10631 12 7

CREDITOR.

1761.
March 10.

By Caſh received out of the Treaſury,	£. 7061	11	10
By an Over-charge in correcting the Preſs, *March* 8th, 1756,	5	0	0
By wrong caſt in Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, *Auguſt* 18, 1757,	3	6	8
Balance due to the Eſtate of *Thomas Ward*,	3561	14	1
	£. 10631	12	7

NEWPORT, March 10, 1761.

Errors and Omiſſions excepted.

Richard Ward, jun. Adminiſtrator upon the Eſtate of *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; deceas'd.

We do report, that in Obedience to an Act of the General Aſſembly, we have examined the Accounts of *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; deceaſed (late Secretary) with the Colony, and find a Balance due from the Colony to the Eſtate of ſaid *Ward*, of £. 3561 14 1 Old Tenor: In ſaid Balance is included One Hundred Pounds charged the Colony for carrying on the Suit between the Colony and *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; which we ſubmit. In the above Account, are many Charges which we did not go accurately through, *viz.* the Charges of recording the Acts, Orders, and Petitions, of the General Aſſembly (which by Law are Twenty-five Lines to a Page, and Eight Words in a Line) there being ſo many Pages, which would have been a Work of Time. We counted ſeveral Pages, and found them rightly counted, and from them ſettled all the Remainder. If this Method ſhould not be agreeable with the Minds of the General Aſſembly, they have it now before them for their further Thought and Direction. We are of Opinion, that they were rightly told and caſt. Mr. *Richard Ward*, jun. being ready to atteſt to the Truth of its being done to the beſt of his Knowledge.

Newport, March 25, 1761. *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, *Solomon Townſend*, for *John Tillinghaſt*, } Committee.

And to the ſaid Report the Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit:

To our Time and Trouble, £. 36 0 0

Thomas Cranſton,
Peter Bours,
Solomon Townſend for
John Tillinghaſt.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That Three Thouſand Five Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Fourteen Shillings and One Penny Old Tenor, being the Balance due to the Eſtate of *Thomas Ward*,

Ward, Eſq; be paid to *Richard Ward*, jun. Adminiſtrator upon the ſaid Eſtate, out of the General Treaſury: And that Thirty-ſix Pounds, being the Amount of the Account of *John Tillinghaſt*, *Thomas Cranſton*, and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. be allowed and paid them out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Franklin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly, made and paſſed at their Seſſions held in *December* and *February* laſt, and providing Paper for the ſame: Which Account being taken into Conſideration, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Thirteen Pounds Twelve Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS there hath been a great Deficiency in the Return of the Arms and Accoutrements which were delivered to the Regiment raiſed by this Colony the laſt Campaign, and it is uncertain who are accountable for the ſame: *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to his Excellency General *Amherſt*, and deſire him to order a Copy of all the Receipts given for Arms delivered to the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment, during the laſt Campaign to be made out and ſent to this Colony; and that his Honor the Governor, be alſo requeſted to tranſmit ſuch Depoſitions as ſhall be taken upon Oath, by Col. *John Whiting*, of the Loſs of Twelve Arms, by the Overſetting of a Whale-boat in *Lake Champlain*; and inquire whether the Colony hath been credited for the ſame.

WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that one of the Highways in ſaid Town, is ſhut up, and appropriated as Part of the Gaol Yard, which they conceived to be injurious to the Town, and thereupon prayed that the ſame may be opened. On Conſideration whereof, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Clerk of the Town of *Providence*, and Mr. *Nicholas Tillinghaſt* be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the Subject Matter of the ſaid Petition, and make Report unto this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

An ACT for raiſing and paying Six Hundred and Sixty-ſix able-bodied effective Men, to be employed in His Majeſty's Service, in *North-America*, in the enſuing Campaign, and for ſupplying the Treaſury with a ſufficient Sum of Money to defray the neceſſary Charges thereof.

WHEREAS this Aſſembly hath received Advice from the Right Honorable William Pitt, *Eſq; one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State (by a Letter bearing Date the Seventeenth Day of* December *laſt) that His Majeſty hath Nothing ſo much at Heart, as by the moſt vigorous Proſecution of the War, to reduce the Enemy to the Neceſſity of accepting a Peace, on Terms of Glory and Advantage to His Majeſty's Crown, and beneficial, in particular, to His Majeſty's Subjects in* America: *That it is the King's Pleaſure, in Order the better to provide for the full and entire Security of His Majeſty's Dominions in* North-America, *and particularly the Poſſeſſion of His Majeſty's Conqueſts there, that this Colony raiſe Two Thirds of the Number*

Number of Men they raiſed the laſt Campaign, with all poſſible Diſpatch, to march to ſuch Place or Places as His Majeſty's Commander in Chief ſhall appoint: And this Aſſembly being truly ſenſible of His Majeſty's moſt gracious Intentions, and willing to give all the Aſſiſtance in their Power for the Effecting ſo important a Deſign,

Do Enact, and by the Authority of this General Aſſembly, It is Enacted, That Six Hundred and Sixty-ſix able-bodied effective Men, Officers included, be forthwith raiſed in this Colony, to be employed in His Majeſty's Service in ſuch Manner, as His Majeſty's Commander in Chief in *North-America*, ſhall think fit, until the Firſt Day of *November* next, unleſs the Campaign ſhall be ſooner ended: That they be formed into a Regiment, conſiſting of Seven Companies, over which, ſhall be appointed a Colonel, a Lieutenant Colonel, and a Major: That One Captain, Two Lieutenants, and an Enſign, ſhall be appointed to each of the ſaid Companies, excepting Three, which ſhall be under the immediate Command of the Three Field Officers, and have only Two Lieutenants and One Enſign to each; all of whom ſhall be choſen and appointed by this Aſſembly. Provided nevertheleſs, That no Officer ſhall receive his Commiſſion until he ſhall have inliſted the following Number of Soldiers, *to wit*: Each Field Officer Twenty-five, each Captain Twenty, each Firſt Lieutenant Fifteen, each Second Lieutenant Twelve, and each Enſign Eight. *And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Officers of the ſaid Regiment, ſhall be intitled to, and receive the following Monthly Wages and Allowances in Bills of Credit of this Colony, called *Lawful Money*, and no other, *to wit*: The Colonel Fifteen Pounds; the Lieutenant Colonel Twelve Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; the Major Ten Pounds Thirteen Shillings; each Captain Eight Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six-pence; the Captain-Lieutenant of the Colonel's Company, Seven Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six pence; each other Lieutenant, Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six pence; each Enſign Four Pounds Fourteen Shillings, each Serjeant and Drummer Two Pounds Ten Shillings, and each Corporal Two Pounds Five Shillings. And that Six Shillings be allowed and paid to every Officer for each able-bodied effective Man he ſhall inliſt.

And for the Encouragement of Soldiers to inliſt, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every able-bodied effective Man, who ſhall inliſt into this Service, ſhall be paid Five Pounds *Lawful Money* upon his Inliſtment, as a Bounty, and ſhall receive One good Blanket, and one Knapſack; and ſhall be provided with Billeting, at the Rate of Eight Shillings *Lawful Money* per Week, from the Time of his Inliſtment, until he ſhall leave the Colony; and ſhall receive Two Pounds Lawful-Money, per Month. And farther, his Perſon, Eſtate, and Bail (if any he hath) ſhall, during his Continuance in the Service, be exempted from all Arreſts and Executions, and he ſhall be releaſed from Confinement for any Debt not exceeding Twenty Pounds Lawful Money, due to One Perſon.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That each Officer and Soldier ſhall be paid his Billeting Money, until the Time he ſhall receive Orders to leave the Colony, and One Months Wages only.

And for ſupplying the Treaſury with a Sum of Money ſufficient to carry this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed immediately to hire, upon the Credit of the Colony, the Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds, of any of the Lawful Money emitted in the Year One Thou-

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ſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine and One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, for Nine Months, if the ſame can be procured, at the Rate of Seven per Cent. per Annum, exeepting the Lawful Money emitted in *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine. And that the General Treaſurer alſo be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to hire at the ſame Rate, and of the ſame Emiſſions, any farther Sums that ſhall be neceſſary for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, not exceeding Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money in the whole.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Sum of Sixteen Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, be raiſed by a Tax, to be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, and collected and paid into the General Treaſury, on or before the laſt Day of *November* next. That the ſame be appropriated for the Payment of the Officers, and Soldiers to be raiſed as aforeſaid, upon their Return at the End of the Campaign; and for diſcharging ſuch Bonds as ſhall be given by the Treaſurer, for the Money to be hired as aforeſaid, when they ſhall become due.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the General Treaſurer ſhall not be able to hire, upon the Terms above-mentioned, the ſaid Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, on or before the Twelfth Day of this Inſtant *April*, then, and in that Caſe, the Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, be forthwith emitted and put into the General Treaſury: And the Committee, by this Act, appointed to ſign the ſaid Bills, are hereby empowered and directed to procure the ſaid Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, to be printed from Types in the following Form, to wit:

The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty Shillings Lawful Money, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for One Ounce of Silver, with Intereſt at Five per Cent. per Annum, on or before the Twentieth Day of *April*, 1766, by Order of the General Aſſembly. Dated the Twentieth Day of *April*, 1761.

AND that the ſaid Bills, be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Two Shillings, One Shilling, Nine Pence, and Six Pence; that an equal Number of each Denomination be emitted; that they be ſigned by any Three of the following Perſons, to wit: *Benjamin Nichols*, *Jeremiah Lippitt*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Joſeph Clarke*, *James Sheffield*, *Jonathan Eaſton* of *Newport*, and *John Dexter* of *Cumberland*, who are hereby appointed to ſign ſaid Bills, and when finiſhed, are directed to lodge them in the General Treaſury; and that the Lawful Money emitted by this Act, ſhall be received by the Officers and Soldiers, in all Payments for Bounties and Wages.

And for the calling in and redeeming ſaid Bills, *It is farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Seaſon that the whole may be collected and paid into the General Treaſury, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills, with the Intereſt which ſhall be due thereon, before or upon the Twentieth Day of *April*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſix: That the whole of the ſaid Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate

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of Six Shillings and Nine Pence *per* Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value: And that the Gold and Silver ſo paid into the General Treaſury, be appropriated and immediately applied for the Redemption of the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall diſcourage any Perſon from inliſting into the Regiment now ordered to be raiſed, and be convicted thereof, before any Juſtice of the Peace in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed, ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine, the Sum of Five Pounds Lawful Money, or ſuffer Thirty Days Impriſonment: That whoever ſhall ſecrete, conceal, or carry off any Soldier inliſted as aforeſaid, ſhall ſuffer all the Pains and Penalties to be inflicted on ſuch Offenders, according to the Laws of this Colony, in thoſe Caſes heretofore made and provided. *And farther*, That whoever ſhall inliſt, or perſuade, or intice any Perſon whatſoever, belonging to this Colony, to inliſt into the Service of any of the neighbouring Governments, or Colony of *New-York*, for the enſuing Campaign, or ſhall be any Ways aiding or aſſiſting therein, and be convicted thereof before any Court of General Seſſions of the Peace in this Colony, ſhall be fined Twenty Pounds Lawful Money: And the Juſtices of the Peace in this Colony are hereby required to apprehend and impriſon, or bind over to the then next Court of General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed, all ſuch Perſons as ſhall be found breaking this Law (His Majeſty's Regular Troops excepted:) And that one Half of all the abovementioned Fines be lodged in the General Treaſury, for the Uſe of the Colony and the other Half be paid to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall inform and ſue for the ſame.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Wages of all Perſons under the Age of Twenty-one Years, who ſhall inliſt into this Service, from the Time of their Inliſtment, until their Diſcharge, ſhall be equally divided between them and their Parents or Maſters reſpectively. And that ſuch Soldiers ſhall be accountable for whatever they ſhall take up of the Colony, during the Time of their being in the Service.

AND that the Officers and Soldiers may be better ſupplied during the Continuance of the enſuing Campaign, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Colonel if preſent, and in his Abſence, the next commanding Officer, be, and he is hereby empowered, to contract with any Perſon he ſhall think beſt, upon the moſt advantageous Terms he can, to ſupply the Soldiers with all ſuch Neceſſaries as ſhall not be furniſhed by the Colony: That he ſettle the Price of ſaid Goods in the Lawful Money of this Colony, and give the Soldiers Notice of the ſame from time to time: That the Soldiers be allowed to take up of any Sort of Goods to the Amount of Ten Shillings Lawful Money *per* Month, while they are in Camp, and no more; and that the ſame ſhall be deducted out of their Wages, at their Diſcharge, or the making up the Muſter Rolls of the Companies to which they reſpectively belong: That each Captain, if preſent, and in his Abſence, the next Officer in Command, be, and he is hereby required to keep and render at his Return, a particular Account of the Goods ſo received by the Soldiers under his Command, to ſuch of the

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Committee of War who fitted them out, always taking Care that the Soldiers under his Command have Juſtice done them.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That each Commiſſion Officer ſhall be accountable for all the King's Arms and Accoutrements which ſhall be delivered to the Soldiers under his Command; and that the Value of all the Arms and Accoutrements which ſhall be wanting at the End of the enſuing Campaign, ſhall be deducted out of the Wages of the Officer who received the ſame, unleſs he can make it appear, that ſuch Arms and Accoutrements were unavoidably loſt in the Service, or can render ſome other good Reaſon why he ſhould not be accountable for ſuch as ſhall be wanting as aforeſaid.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Colonel of ſaid Regiment be, and he is hereby directed not to draw upon the Colony's Agent for the Wages of any Officer or Soldier, or upon any other Account whatever, unleſs for Money to defray ſuch neceſſary Charges as cannot be drawn for in the Lawful Money of this Colony.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Soldier who ſhall inliſt for the enſuing Campaign, ſhall ſign an Inliſtment in the following Form, to wit:

"*I* *do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily inliſted myſelf into His Majeſty's Service, in the Regiment raiſing by the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *commanded by Colonel* *from the Day of the Date hereof, until the Firſt Day of* November *next, unleſs ſooner lawfully diſcharged: And that I have received from* *by whom I am inliſted, Five Pounds Lawful Money as Bounty. Witneſs my Hand, the* *Day of* 1761."

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted, to iſſue a Proclamation agreeable to this Act: And to give Orders to the Regiment or any Part thereof to proceed according to the Directions he ſhall receive from His Excellency General *Amherſt.*

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer deliver unto the Committee of War, the Monies which ſhall be lodged in the General Treaſury, in Conſequence of this Act, or ſo much thereof as they may have Occaſion of for the Purpoſes and Uſes aforeſaid. And that the Committee of War have the ſame Power and Authority in all Reſpects for carrying this Act into Execution as they have at any Time had by the Laws heretofore made, excepting the Appointment of Officers, for which the Charter hath already preſcribed a Method.

WE the Subſcribers diſſent from the Vote of this Houſe, for concurring with the Upper Houſe for hiring the Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds Lawful-Money, to be paid in Nine Months in the ſame Bills, for the Reaſons following.

Firſt. Becauſe we are of Opinion that the paying in the very ſame Bills which are hired will be a great Damage to the Colony, as the Bills will be probably hoarded up and then the Government muſt pay in Silver or Gold.

Secondly.

Secondly. Becauſe Seven per Cent. is an unlawful Intereſt, and more than Judgments of Court are made up for in this Colony.

Thirdly. Becauſe we are of Opinion, that the paying of a Rate of Sixteen Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, in Nine Months, will very much diſtreſs the Inhabitants of the Colony in general, and the Poor in particular.

Fourthly. We are of Opinion, that the Striking of ſaid Sum, agreeable to the Vote of the Lower Houſe, would have been leſs Expenſive and more Advantageous to the Government in general.

Benjamin Gardner,
Robert Potter,
Nathan Babcock,
Stephen Potter.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers to command the Regiment by this Aſſembly ordered to be raiſed for the enſuing Campaign.

John Whiting, Eſq; Colonel.
Samuel Roſe, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel.
Chriſtopher Hargill, Eſq; Major.

Aſa Kimbal, Captain of the Fourth
Nathaniel Peck, Captain of the Fifth
Tibbits Hopkins, Captain of the Sixth
Giles Ruſſel, Captain of the Seventh
} Company.

Thomas Fry, Captain Lieutenant of the Colonel's Company.

William Eldred, Firſt Lieutenant of the Second
Jonathan Speare, Firſt Lieutenant of the Third
William Pulling, Firſt Lieutenant of the Fourth
Thomas Roſe, Firſt Lieutenant of the Fifth
Aſa Bowdiſh, Firſt Lieutenant of the Sixth
George Cornel, (Son of *Clark*) Firſt Lieutenant of the Seventh
} Company.

Andrew Boid, Second Lieutenant of the Firſt
Moſes Warren, Second Lieutenant of the Second
Samuel Stoneman, Second Lieutenant of the Third
Arthur Fenner, Second Lieutenant of the Fourth
Abraham Hawkins, Second Lieutenant of the Fifth
Hezekiah Saunders, Second Lieutenant of the Sixth
Peleg Slocum, Second Lieutenant of the Seventh.
} Company.

Iſrael Peck, Enſign of the Firſt
Mitchel Caſe, Enſign of the Second
Edward Croſs, Enſign of the Third
William Prior, Enſign of the Fourth
Comfort Carpenter, Enſign of the Fifth
Joſeph Brownel, Enſign of the Sixth
Elias Burdick, Enſign of the Seventh
} Company

Lieutenant *Samuel Stoneman*, Adjutant of the Regiment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed,

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by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and ſend a Copy of the ſame, within Thirty Days, to each Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time, but if not called before nor at that Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Sixth Day of April, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

MAY, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Wedneſ- of *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDAL, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.
} Aſſiſtants.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
Mr. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Samuel Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*.
Mr. *George Brownel*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Capt. *Nathan Babcock*.

NEW-SHOREHAM;
John Pain, Eſq;
Mr. *Ray Sands*.

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NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *Thomas Carr*,
William Haſzard, Eſq;

SMITHFIELD;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth*.

CHARLESTOWN;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*,
Capt. *Robert Potter*.

WEST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Benjamin Tillinghaſt*.

COVENTRY;
Mr. *Iſaac Greene*,
Col. *Stephen Potter*.

EXETER;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr. *John Chapman*.

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.

BRISTOL;
Capt. *Simeon Potter*,
Mr. *William Bradford*.

TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.

WARREN;
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*,

CUMBERLAND;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Major *Richard Bailey*,
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.

CRANSTON;
Capt. *Richard Searle*,
Capt. *Matthew Mancheſter*.

HOPKINTON;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Capt. *Joſiah Thornton*,

Thomas Cranſton, Eſq; was choſen Speaker, and *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the anniverſary Election of Officers, both Civil, and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, to wit:

The Hon. *STEPHEN HOPKINS*, Eſq; Governor; *Engaged.*
The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Dep. Gov. *Engaged.*
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Jabez Bowen, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Nicholas Cooke, Eſq; Fourth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*

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Joſeph Harris, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Francis Willet, Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Henry Gardner, Eſq; Ninth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Thomas Church, Eſq; Tenth Aſſiſtant; *Engaged.*
Henry Ward, Eſq; Secretary; *Engaged.*
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General; *Engaged.*
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq; General Treaſurer; *Engaged.*

Samuel Ward, Eſq; *Chief*
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq; *Second*
William Hall, Eſq; *Third*
Thomas Wickham, Eſq; *Fourth*
John Burton, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Job Bennet, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Benjamin Bowen, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Nathan Babcock, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

Nathan Miller, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

James Wightman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Iſaac Stelle, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Joſiah Thornton, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

George Wightman, jun. Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

Shearjaſhub Bourn, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

John Wells, Eſq: Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Benjamin Sherburne, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Joſeph Olney, (of *Glouceſter*) Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

John Willſon, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

Nathaniel Carey, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

Preſerved Peirce, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Edward Scott, Eſq; *Chief*
Peter Bours, Eſq; *Seeond*,
William Anthony, Eſq; *Third*
John Shearman, jun. Eſq; *Fourth*
John Barker, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

David Comſtock, Eſq; *Chief*
Gideon Comſtock, Eſq; *Second*
Thomas Owen, Eſq; *Third*
Richard Steera, Eſq; *Fourth*
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

James

James Helme, Eſq; *Chief*
Thomas Brown, Eſq; *Second*
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq; *Third*
Benoni Hall, Eſq; *Fourth*
Thomas Allen, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings-County*.

Matthew Allen, Eſq; *Chief*
Nathaniel Fales, Eſq; *Second*
John Kinnicut, Eſq; *Third*
Leverett Hubbard, Eſq; *Fourth*
Peter Bicknal, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Thomas Fry, Eſq; *Chief*
Rufus Greene, Eſq; *Second*
John Holdon, Eſq; *Third*
John Langford, Eſq; *Fourth*
George Hall, Eſq; *Fifth*
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

John Grelea, jun. Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*.

John Foſter, jun. Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Benedict Helme, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Kings-County*.

Mr. *Joſiah Finney*, Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Mr. *Samuel Fry*, Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Mr. *Nicholas Brown*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Mr. *Benjamin Peckham*, jun, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings-County*.

Mr. *Thomas Throop*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Joſeph Wanton, Eſq; (Son of *Gideon*) Sheriff of the County of *Newport*.

Eliſha Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*.

Gideon Hoxſie, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kings-County*.

Charles Church, Eſq, Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*.

Rufus Spencer, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*.

The Hon. *Gideon Wanton*, Eſq; Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, *James Sheffield*, *Obadiah Brown*, *Samuel Chace*, *James Arnold*, and *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſquires, the Grand Committee, or Colony's Truſtees for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And

And the aforeſaid *Edward Thurſton*, is choſen and eſpecially appointed to take and have the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the Money due and to be due thereon; and alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages or otherwiſe, when he receives the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all ſuch as refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

And the ſame *Edward Thurſton* is choſen General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures, throughout the Government.

Henry Paget, Eſq, Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence*.

John Pain, Captain; *Nathaniel Littlefield* (the Third) Lieutenant; and *Rhodes Eavens*, Enſign of the Company, or Trained Band, in the Town of *New-Shorebam*.

George Wightman, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings County*, in the Room of *Nathan Babcock*, Eſq; who refuſed.

John Willſon, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the ſaid Regiment, in the Room of *George Wightman*, jun. Eſq; who is advanced.

Edward Bliven, jun. Eſq; Major of the ſaid Regiment, in the Room of *John Willſon*, Eſq; who is advanced.

IT IS VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Time for filing Declarations to the enſuing *May* Court, be lengthned and poſtponed to Tueſday the Nineteenth Inſtant: And that the Time for filing Anſwers to the ſame Court, be alſo lengthned and poſtponed to Friday the Twenty-ſecond Inſtant.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Proxes be lodged with the Clerk of the Houſe of Deputies; that no Copies of the ſame be given out to any Perſon; and that no Perſon be allowed to view them, but by Order of the General Aſſembly.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Conſideration of the Returns of Freemen, made to this Aſſembly from all the Towns in this Colony, be referred unto the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cranſton* and *Peter Bours*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit and ſettle the Accounts of the late General Treaſurer: That they receive of his Executors all the Books, Bonds, Papers, Monies, and every Thing elſe in their Hands, belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to the preſent General Treaſurer, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the preſent General Treaſurer give Bond, with good Sureties, in the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money of this Colony, for the faithful Diſcharge of his Duty.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General Treaſurer, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to ſettle the Accounts of the Secretary: And that upon their being paſſed, the Secretary be, and he is hereby empowered to draw what ſhall be due to him, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, and *John Howland*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, the Records, Files of Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame: And that they alſo receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, the Records, Files of Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Rufus Greene*, and *Giles Peace*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*, the Records, Files of Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame: And that they alſo receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*, the Records, Files of Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Brown*, and *John Caſe*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings County*, the Records, Files of Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Tillinghaſt*, *Simon Peaſe*, and *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *William Redwood*, and *Solomon Townſend*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; the late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Mortgages, Bonds, Files of Papers, Money, and every Thing elſe in his Hands, belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to the preſent Keeper of that Office, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the ſame Gentlemen be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit and ſettle the Accounts of the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* with the Colony, and make Report to the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby directed to enquire in what Manner the Regiment raiſed by this Colony, will be provided with a Doctor, or Surgeon, upon their Arrival at *Albany*: And if they ſhall think it abſolutely neceſſary, that a Doctor, or Surgeon, be ſent from this Colony, that they appoint One, and ſend him with, or to the Regiment, with a proper Cheſt of Medicines.

It

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Officers, Civil, and Military, who were to have been choſen at this Seſſion of Aſſembly, and were not, be, and they are hereby continued in their reſpective Offices, until the next Seſſion, with as full Power, and ample Authority, as they have been ever veſted with, ſince they were choſen, commiſſioned, and engaged.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the ſing of this Aſſembly: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Second Monday of *June* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Twenty-ſecond Day of May, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one.*

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Second Monday of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;	
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;		THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;	
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;		The SECRETARY.	

DEPUTIES.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. Thomas Cranſton Eſq. Speaker

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
~~*Thomas Cranſton, Eſq.*~~
Peter Bours, Eſq;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
Mr. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Samuel Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon.*

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel.*

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock.*

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr *Ray Sands.*

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock.*

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene.*

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *Thomas Carr*,
William Haſzard, Eſq;

SMITHFIELD;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey.*

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt.*

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Timothy Wilmarth.*

CHARLESTOWN;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*,
Capt. *Robert Potter.*

WEST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Mr. *Benjamin Tillinghaſt.*

COVENTRY;
Capt. *Iſaac Greene*,
Col. *Stephen Potter.*

EXETER;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Capt. *John Chapman.*

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton.*

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford.*

TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee.*

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel.*

WARREN;
John Kinnicut, Eſq;

CUMBERLAND;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Major *Richard Bailey*,
Capt. *Benjamin Barber.*

CRANSTON;
Capt. *Richard Searle*,
Capt. *Matthew Mancheſter.*

HOPKINTON;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton.*

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower-Houſe.

The

The following Return from the Clerk of the Artillery Company in the Towns of *Weſterly*, *Charleſtown*, and *Hopkinton*, of the Officers choſen by ſaid Company, to wit; *Joſeph Stanton*, Captain, *Daniel Lewis*, Firſt Lieutenant, *Joſeph Babcock* Second Lieutenant, and *Jeſſe Champlin*, Enſign, was read in Council, and being conſidered, is approved.

WHEREAS *John Tillinghaſt*, *Simon Peaſe*, and *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *William Redwood* and *Solomon Townſend*, were appointed by the General Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, a Committee to receive of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; the late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Mortgages, Bonds, Files of Papers, Money, and every Thing elſe in his Hands belonging to the Colony, and deliver the ſame to Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, the preſent Keeper of that Office, giving and taking Receipts therefor; and Mr. *William Redwood* refuſing to act in the ſaid Buſineſs and nothing as yet having been done therein, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *John Tillinghaſt*, *Simon Peaſe*, *Thomas Cranſton* and *Solomon Townſend*, be continued for the Purpoſes aforeſaid: That Captain *Daniel Ayrault* be appointed one of the ſaid Committee, in the Room of the aforeſaid *William Redwood*: And that the ſaid Committee, or the major Part of them proceed upon, and complete the ſaid Buſineſs, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the afore-named Gentlemen be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols*, and make Report to the General Aſſembly; as ſoon as conveniently may be.

What follows, is a Report made by the Gentlemen who ſigned the ſame.

" WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee by the Gene-
" ral Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *May* current, to receive of
" the late Clerk of the County of *Kings-County*, the Records, Files of
" Papers, Seal, and every Thing elſe belonging to ſaid Office, and de-
" liver the ſame to the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts there-
" for, in Obedience to ſaid Appointment, have waited on ſaid Buſineſs,
" on the 25th of *May* current, and received of the late Clerk of the
" County of *Kings-County*, the Records, Files, Seal, and all the Pa-
" pers belonging to ſaid Office, and delivered them to the preſent Clerk,
" giving and taking Receipts for the ſame, and make Report accordingly."

Thomas Browne,
John Caſe.

Unto which Report the ſaid Committee ſubjoined the following Account, to wit:

" *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland to *Thomas Browne* and *John Caſe*, - - - Dr.--
" *To Tranſacting the above Buſineſs*, £. 16 0 0
Tower-Hill, 26 of *May*, A. D. 1761.

Thomas Browne,
John Caſe,

And the aforegoing Report and Account being taken into Conſideration

on

on, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted, and that Sixteen Pounds, the Amount of the above Account, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Browne*, and *John Caſe*, Eſqrs. out of the General Treaſury.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Perſons to ſerve the Colony, in the Offices aſcribed to their Names reſpectively.

JUSTICES of the Peace for the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;
Martin Howard,
Samuel Collins,
Charles Bardin,
Peter Eaſton,
Joſeph Sylveſter,
Barnabas Hargil,
Daniel Goddard,
John Grelea, jun.
John Davis, jun.
Jonathan Eaſton,
James Milward,
John Butts.

PROVIDENCE;
Joſeph Snow,
George Taylor,
Samuel Nightingale,
Samuel Chace,
John Foſter, jun.
James Angel,
John Comſtock.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Almy,
Thomas Shearman, jun.
Robert Burrington, jun
John Ward,
Samuel Peirce.

WARWICK;
John Warner, jun.
John Waterman,
Ebenezer Slocum,
Samuel Gorton, (Son of *Samuel*.)
Silas Clap,
John Greene, (Son of *Peter*.)

WESTERLY,
Benoni Smith,
Joſeph Crandal,
Stephen Saunders,
James Bliven,
Joſeph Clark, (Son of *Thomas*,)
Ichabod Babcock, jun.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Joſeph Coggeſhall,
William Hall, (Son of *Robert*)
Caleb Clark,
John Reynolds, (Son of *Peter*,)
John Cleveland,
William Smith,
Caleb Hill.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Samuel Tefft,
John Caſe,
John Sheldon,
John Lillibridge.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Pierce,
John Ollin,
George Vaughan,
James Greene,
Thomas Shippey,
Jonathan Corey,
Pardon Tillinghaſt,

SMITHFIELD;
William Arnold,
Thomas Steere,
John Aldrich,
John, Sayles, jun.
Stephen Sly,
Jabez Harris,
Ezekiel Comſtock.

SCITUATE;
Gideon Harris,
Benoni Williams,
John Fiſke,
Samuel Dorrance,
Thomas Hill,
Oliver Weſtcote,
Thomas Brown,
James Wheeler.

GLOU-

GLOUCESTER;
Andrew Brown,
Timothy Wilmarth,
Benjamin Smith,
Iſrael Arnold,
Jonah Steere,
Silas Williams,
Jonathan Harris.

CHARLESTOWN;
Peleg Croſs,
Samuel Kinyon,
Tobias Saunders,

WEST-GREENWICH:
Samuel Hopkins,
Philip Greene,
Preſerved Hall,
Charles Carr,
Gideon Ellis,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt.

COVENTRY;
Thomas Matteſon,
John Rice,
Adam Kaſſen,
Obadiah Johnſon,
Edward Caſey.

EXETER;
Stephen Richmond,
Benjamin Reynolds,
Newman Perkins,
Alexander Caſe,
Thomas Joſſelyn,
Solomon Brayman,
John Congdon.

MIDDLETOWN;
William Peckham, jun.
Joſeph Peabody,
William Baley.

BRISTOL;
Shearjaſhub Bourn,
John Howland,
John Throop, jun.
Joſeph Reynolds,
Daniel Bradford.

TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony,
Philip Tabor,
Reſtcome Sanford,
Joſeph Stafford.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
Joſeph Wood,
Richard Brownel,
Conſtant Southworth,
Oliver Hilyard,

WARREN;
James Brown,
Ebenezer Cole,
Ebenezer Adams,
Joſeph Butterworth,
John Wheaten.

CUMBERLAND:
John Dexter,
Job Bartlet,
Uriah Jillſon,
John Gould.

RICHMOND;
John Webſter,
Thomas Kinyon,
Thomas Lillibridge.

CRANSTON;
William Burton,
Nathaniel Williams,
James Harris,
Thomas Corpe.

HOPKINTON;
Benjamin Randal,
Joſhua Clarke,
John Maxſon, jun.
John Whitter,
John Latham.

JOHNSTON;
Edward Sheldon,
Abraham Belknap,
Joſeph Waterman,
John Fenner.

John Jepſon, Eliſha Brown, Thomas Cranſton, Peter Bours, Robert Potter, Thomas Caſey, Gideon Comſtock, Nicholas Gardner, and Shearjaſhub Bourn, Eſqrs. Members of the Committee of War.

William Read, Captain,
Caleb Carr, Lieutenant, } of *Fort George.*

Peter Mumford, Captain; *Iſaac Dayton,* Lieutenant; *William James*

(Son

(Son of *John*) Cornet; *Daniel Whitman Hoockey*, Quarter Maſter of the Firſt Troop of Horſe, in the County of *Newport*.

Thomas Church, Captain; *Aaron Wilbore*, Lieutenant; *Job Almy*, (Son of *Samuel*) Cornet; *Joſeph Taylor*, Quarter Maſter, of the Second Troop of Horſe, in the County of *Newport*.

James Olney (Son of *Joſeph*) Captain; *Edward Fenner*, Firſt Lieutenant; *George Payſon*, Second Lieutenant; *Philip Matteſon*, Cornet; of the Troop of Horſe in the County of *Providence*.

Samuel Freebody, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia, in the County of *Newport*, in the Room of *Iſaac Stelle*, Eſq; who refuſed.

OFFICERS to command the ſeveral Companies of Militia, or trained Bands, in each Town throughout the Colony.

NEWPORT;
Firſt Company.
James Cahoone, jun. Captain,
Jethro Spooner, Lieutenant,
Samuel Yeates, Enſign.
Second Company.
Thomas Richardſon (Son of *Ebenezer*, Captain)
Ebenezer Davenport, jun. Lieutenant,
Jonathan Davenport, Enſign.
Third Company.
Timothy Balch, Captain,
Edward Simmons, Lieutenant,
Thomas George, Enſign.
Fourth Company.
Timothy Ingraham, Captain,
Joſeph Howland, Lieutenant,
John Launders, Enſign.

PROVIDENCE;
Firſt Company.
Knight Dexter, Captain,
Amos Atwell, Lieutenant,
Barnard Eddy, Enſign.
Second Company.
Benjamin Whipple, jun. Captain,
William Brown, Lieutenant,
Luther Hawkins, Enſign.
Third Company.
Ephraim Wheaton, Captain,
David Burr, jun. Lieutenant,
Jabez Gorham, Enſign.

PORTSMOUTH;
Firſt Company.
Thomas Cook, Captain,
Jeremiah Lawton, Lieutenant,
George Siſſon, jun. Enſign.
Second Company.
Joſhua Allen, Captain,
Thomas Allen, Lieutenant,
William Remington, Enſign.

WARWICK;
Firſt Company.
Joſias Arnold (Son of *Joſias*) Captain,
Amos Lockwood, jun. Lieutenant,
Thomas Sweet, Enſign.
Second Company,
Nathaniel Arnold, Captain,
Peleg Saliſbury, Lieutenant,
Philip Wightman, Enſign.
Third Company.
Stukely Stafford, Captain,
Samuel Budlong, (Son of *Moſes*) Lieutenant,
James Convis, Enſign.

WESTERLY;
Firſt Company.
Abraham Lewis, Captain,
Matthew Maxſon, Lieutenant,
Joſeph Lewis, jun. Enſign.
Second Company,
Edward Saunders, Captain,
Joſeph Gavet, Lieutenant,
William Greene, Enſign.

NEW-SHOREHAM.
Thomas Mitchel, Enſign, in the Room of *Rhodes Havens*, who refuſed.

NORTH-

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
First Company.
Joſeph Clarke, jun. Captain,
Daniel Corey, Lieutenant,
Peter Tourjee, jun. Enſign.
Second Company.
Joſhua Allen, Captain,
Samuel Shearman, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Watſon, Enſign.
Third Company.
Jonathan Vaughan, Captain,
Abraham Havens, Lieutenant,
Gilbert Cooper, Enſign,

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
First Company,
Jonathan Babcock, (Son of *David*) Captain,
Jonathan Card, Lieutenant,
Freeman Perry, Enſign,
Second Company.
William Willſon Pollock, Captain,
Nathaniel Perkins, jun. Lieutenant,
Peleg Mumford, Enſign.

EAST-GREENWICH;
First Company.
Benjamin Spencer, (Son of *Walter*) Captain,
George Vaughan, jun. Lieutenant,
Philip Haines, Enſign.
Second Company.
John Wightman, Captain,
Joſiah Matteſon, Lieutenant,
Daniel Briggs, Enſign.

JAMESTOWN;
Benjamin Underwood, Captain,
Matthew Greenel, Lieutenant,
Oliver Haſzard, jun. Enſign.

SMITHFIELD;
First Company.
Chriſtopher Brown, Captain
John Wilkinſon, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Mowrey, Enſign.
Second Company.
Stephen Arnold, Captain,
Arnold Pain, Lieutenant,
Samuel Aldrich, jun. Enſign.
Third Company.
Joſeph Mowrey, Captain,
Chriſtopher Angel, Lieutenant,
Henry Blackmore, Enſign.

SCITUATE;
First Company.
Ezekiel Phillips, Captain,
Robert Potter, Lieutenant,
Job Wilbore, Enſign.
Second Company.
Thomas Ailſworth, Captain,
William Tyler, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Herrington, Enſign.
Third Company,
James Wheeler, Captain,
Stephen Smith, Lieutenant,
Thomas Saliſbury, Enſign.
Fourth Company.
Joſeph Wetherhead, Captain,
John Round, Lieutenant,
James Round, Enſign.

GLOUCESTER;
First Company,
William Hawkins, Captain,
Richard Eddy, Lieutenant,
John Eddy, Enſign.
Second Company.
Noah Arnold, Captain,
John Whipple, Lieutenant,
Edward Inman, jun. Enſign.
Third Company.
Abraham Waterman, Captain,
Samuel Thornton, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Kimbal, Enſign.

CHARLESTOWN;
Tobias Saunders, Captain,
Joſhua Card, Lieutenant,
John Stanton, Enſign.

WEST-GREENWICH:
First Company.
Samuel Hopkins, Captain,
Thomas Matteſon, Lieutenant,
Abner Goffe, Enſign.
Second Company.
Benjamin Greene, Captain,
Jonathan Weaver, Lieutenant,
Eleazer Greene, Enſign.
Third Company.
Palmer Gardner, Captain,
Robert Haſzard, jun. Lieut.
George Parker, Enſign.

COVENTRY;
First Company.
Iſaac Greene, Captain,
Nathan Goffe, Lieutenant,
Joſeph Colvill, Enſign.

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EXETER;
First Company.
Thomas Wilcox, Captain,
Iſhmael Wilcox, Lieutenant,
George Sunderland, Enſign.
Second Company.
William Hyams, Captain,
Thomas Bentley, jun. Lieutenant
John Lewis, Enſign.

MIDDLETOWN;
Jonathan Weeden, Captain,
Philip Peckham, Lieutenant,
William Greene, Enſign.

BRISTOL;
Daniel Bradford, Captain,
Jonathan Peck, Lieutenant,
Rogers Richmond, Enſign.

TIVERTON;
First Company.
Edward Gray, Captain,
Job Cooke, Lieutenant,
Walter Cooke, Enſign.
Second Company.
William Cooke, Captain,
Joſhua Dwelly, Lieutenant,
John Durfee, Enſign.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
David Hilyard, Captain,
Thomas Burgeſs, Lieutenant,
Henry Wood, Enſign.

WARREN;
First Company.
Caleb Carr, Captain,
Benjamin Cole, Lieutenant,
John Maſon, Enſign.
Second Company.
Samuel Allen, Captain,
James Bowen, Lieutenant,
John Low, Enſign.

CUMBERLAND,
First Company.
Nathaniel Whipple, Captain,
Benjamin Tower, Lieutenant,
John Grant, Enſign.
Second Company.
Joſeph Brown, Captain,
Noah Balloue, Lieutenant,
Jeremiah Inman, Enſign.

RICHMOND;
Simeon Clarke, Captain,
William Wilcox, Lieutenant,
William Kinyon, Enſign.

CRANSTON;
First Company.
William Carpenter, jun. Captain,
Joſeph Lockwood jun. Lieutenant,
Jeremiah King, Enſign.
Second Company.
Nathan Williams, Captain,
Thomas Williams, jun. Lieut.
Uriah Arnold, Enſign.
Third Company.
Richard Knight, jun. Captain,
Ephraim Roberts, Lieutenant.
Moſes Briggs, Enſign.

HOPKINTON;
First Company
Chriſtopher Babcock, Captain,
Caleb Wells, Lieutenant,
Matthew Wells, Enſign.
Second Company.
Benjamin Maxſon, Captain,
Benjamin Randal, jun. Lieutenant,
Joſeph Greene, Enſign.

JOHNSTON;
William Alverſon, Captain,
Zachariah Eddy, Lieutenant,
Samuel Henry, Enſign.

George Taylor, Eſq; Chief Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*, in the Room of *David Comſtock*, Eſq; who refuſed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Jepſon*, and *Samuel Freebody*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of the late Captain of *Fort George*, all the Stores at ſaid Fort, belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to *William Read*, the preſent Captain, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Votd and Reſolved, That the Gentlemen whoſe Names hereafter follow, be, and they are hereby appointed to audit the Accounts of thoſe Members of the Committee of War, who have been diſplaced by this Aſſembly, to wit; Col. *Job Bennet*, and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton* and *Solomon Townſend*, the Accounts of the Honorable *John Gardner*, Eſq; *Nicholas Cooke*, and *Samuel Chace*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes* and *Abraham Smith*, Eſqrs. *Francis Willet*, *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Peckham*, jun. Eſqrs. the Accounts of Col. *Joſeph Haſzard*. *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. and Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, the Accounts of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; *John Kinnicut*, Eſq; Capt. *Simeon Potter*, and Mr. *Thomas Throop*, the Accounts of Col. *Thomas Greene*: That the Major Part of each Committee, have Power to act: And that Report be made to the Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

The Gentlemen appointed to ſettle the Accounts of the late General Treaſurer, and ſo forth, preſented the following Account and Report, together with an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, to wit:

Dr.-- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *with the Executrix and Executor of the Eſtate of* Thomas Richardſon, Eſq; *General Treaſurer.*

	Dollars.	*Lawful.*	*Old-Tenor.*
TO Caſh paid, from *February*, 1761, to *May*, 1761, taken from the Treaſurer's Alphabetical Book, Page 28,	10	£. 256 14 6½	£. 7884 11 3
To Amount of Page 29,	4801½	5391 10 1½	15344 17 8
To the Treaſurer's Salary, to *May*, 1761.			1000 0 0
To Crown Point Money, and Notes,	45⅞		
To Lawful Money outſtanding of a Rate for £. 15,547		1950 8 7½	
To Money outſtanding of a Rate for £. 110,000,			68 6 11
To Money, Judgments of Courts, Bonds, and ſo forth, in the Hands of *Benjamin Peckham*, *Thomas Aldrich*, *Nicholas* and *John Brown*, and *Thomas Throop*,			12836 17 9
To ſundry Bonds, and ſo forth, delivered the preſent Treaſurer, amounting to			917 8 11

To

To Five Bonds which were charged to the General Treaſurer, in the Year 1759, but ſaid Bonds bear Date in 1760, and make Five Bonds in ſaid Year, 1760, more than the proper Number of ſaid Year.	£. 97 17 1
To ſundry *Non Eſt* Bonds, as per Liſt taken, delivered to *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq;	385 12 0
To Balance of Dollars, 124½, at £. 6 0 0	744 7 6
To Balance paid *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; in full,	7786 0 1¾
	£. 47065 19 2¾

CREDITOR.

	Dollars.	*Lawful.*	*Old-Tenor,*
By Balance of Account, auditted *February*, 1761,	4733	£. 3220 9 6¼	£. 22538 3 7¼
By *Lawful Money* hired, and ſo forth,		5037 13 2	12339 0 0
By Intereſt Bonds, due in the Year 1760, which were taken out by the late Treaſurer,			281 16 8
By Balance due in *Lawful Money*, £. 649 9 4¾ at 18 ſ. for 1,			11906 18 11
			£. 47065 19 2¾

" WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, " a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Richardſon*, " Eſq; late General Treaſurer, and to receive from *Mary* and *William* " *Richardſon*, Executrix and Executor to the Eſtate of the ſaid General " Treaſurer, all the Bonds, Money, Books, Papers, and other Things " which were in their Hands, belonging to the General Treaſury, and " to deliver the ſame to *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; the preſent General Treaſu- " rer, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame, do report, That we " have carefully examined the ſaid General Treaſurer's Books and Ac- " counts, and have found a Balance of Seven Thouſand Seven Hundred " and Eighty-ſix Pounds and 1¼ due from the Eſtate of *Thomas Ri-* " *chardſon*, Eſq; to the Colony, as appears by the above Account, " which Balance was paid to *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; the preſent Gene-

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ral Treaſurer, in our Preſence. And we do further report, that we have received from the Executrix and Executor, all the Bonds, Books, Papers, and other Things, appertaining to the General Treaſury, and have given them a Receipt for the ſame, and we have delivered the ſaid Bonds, Books, Papers, and ſo forth, belonging to ſaid Office, to *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; the preſent General Treaſurer, and have taken his Receipts for the ſame."

Newport, June 4th, 1761. *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, *Solomon Townſend*, } *Committee.*"

COLONY, - - - - - Dr.---

TO our Time and Trouble in auditting the foregoing, and delivering the Books, and ſo forth. £. 66 0 0

Thomas Cranſton
Peter Bours,
Solomon Townſend.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and That Sixty-ſix Pounds, the Amount of the above Account, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *Solomon Townſend*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS ſeveral Towns in this Colony have not paid their Proportion of the Colony Rates aſſeſſed upon them, as appears by the following Liſt of the Deficiency laid before this Aſſembly by the General Treaſurer, to wit;

	Lawful Money.			
NEWPORT,	£. 729	0	11	*Half-penny.*
POTSMOUTH,	19	0	4	*Half-penny.*
NEW-SHOREHAM,	207	6	2	*Three Farthings.*
MIDDLETOWN,	26	12	3	*One Farthing.*
TIVERTON,	193	12	8	*Half-penny.*
LITTLE-COMPTON,	113	0	0	*Half-penny.*
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN,	15	10	11	*One Farthing.*
RICHMOND,	70	1	1	*One Farthing.*
BRISTOL,	25	1	6	
WARREN.	18	16	9	*Half-penny.*
EAST-GREENWICH,	129	8	3	*Half-penny*
			£. 1547	11 2

New-Shoreham, on a Rate made in the Year 1758, } £. 68 6 11 *Old Tenor*

Whereupon, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer, be, and he is hereby directed to proceed againſt the ſeveral delinquent Collectors of Rates, according to Law, and oblige them to pay into the General Treaſury, the above-mentioned Sums.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned 'till Monday the Twenty-ſecond Day of this Inſtant *June*. At

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Monday the Twenty-ſecond Day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;	
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;		HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;	
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;		THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
The Speaker;
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
Mr. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Samuel Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon.*

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel.*

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock.*

NEW-SHOREHAM,
Mr. *Ray Sands.*

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

Mr.

Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *Thomas Carr*,
William Haſzard, Eſq;

SMITHFIELD;
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq:
Mr. *William Weſt*.

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;

CHARLESTOWN;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlin*,
Capt. *Robert Potter*.

WEST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt Eſq;

COVENTRY;
Capt. *Iſaac Greene*,
Col. *Stephen Potter*.

EXETER;
Capt. *John Reynolds*,
Mr,. *John Chapman*.

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.

BRISTOL;
Capt. *Simeon Potter*,
Mr. *William Bradford*.

TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.

WARREN;
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
Maj. *Joſiah Humphrey*.

CUMBERLAND;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
John Dexter, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Major *Richard Bailey*.

CRANSTON;
Capt. *Richard Searle*.

HOPKINTON;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower-Houſe.

WHEREAS *Iſaac Peckham*, of *Weſterly*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That his Son had ſerved in the Regiment raiſed by this Colony the laſt Campaign, and upon his Return by No. 4 was taken ſick and lame: That he was oblig'd to ſend a Man and Horſe for him, which occaſioned him an Expence equal to Seventy-two Pounds Four Shillings Old Tenor. And thereupon prayed that the ſaid Sum might be allowed him out of the General Treaſury.

Whereupon, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the Conſideration of the Committe of War.

WHEREAS *Aaron Davis*, of *Warwick*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *Bell Davis* (his Son) was a Soldier

in

the Colony's Service the laſt Campaign, that upon his return Home, by the Way of *Albany*, he was taken ſick, of which the Petitioner having Notice, he ſent after his Son, in order to bring him Home, if able to travel, which put him to an Expence of about Seventy Pounds Old-Tenor. And thereupon prayed for an Allowance out of the General Treaſury.

Whereupon, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the Conſideration of the Committee of War.

WHEREAS *Rufus Greene* and *Giles Peirce*, Eſqrs. were appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*, the Book of Records, Seal, and Files of Papers, belonging to that Office, and deliver them to Mr. *Samuel Fry*, the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame. And alſo a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County aforeſaid, the Books of Record, Seal, and Files of Papers, belonging to that Office, and deliver them to Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, the preſent Clerk, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame. And the ſaid Committee having made Report to this Aſſembly, that they had received of the late Clerk of the Superior Court aforeſaid, the Book of Records, and all the Files of Papers belonging to that Office (there being no Seal) and delivered them to Mr. *Samuel Fry*, the preſent Clerk, and gave and took Receipts for the ſame. And that they had alſo received of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court aforeſaid, the Books of Record, Seal, and all the Files of Papers belonging to that Office, and delivered them to Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, the preſent Clerk, and gave and took Receipts for the ſame. And the ſaid Committee having alſo preſented an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time and Trouble in tranſacting the ſaid Buſineſs, amounting to Twelve Pounds.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That their Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount of their Account, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Rufus Greene* and *Giles Peirce*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Nicholas Brock*, who inliſted into the Forces raiſed by this Colony, ſome Time paſt, and took a double Bounty, but never went into the Service, humbly requeſts this Aſſembly, That he may be diſcharged upon returning the Money he received. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Job Randal*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby fully empowered to receive the ſaid Money of the ſaid *Brock*, and lodge the ſame in the General Treaſury, and give the ſaid *Brock* a Diſcharge.

WHEREAS Capt. *Simeon Potter*, and *John Kinnicut*, Eſq; who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Greene*, Eſq; late One of the Committee of War, laid before this Aſſembly, a State of the ſaid *Thomas Greene's* Account, and reported thereon as follows, to wit: Dr.---

Dr.--- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, with *Thomas Green*;
To the Amount of his Account, conſiſting of
Receipts, Books, and ſo forth, auditted, £. 512 14 6

CREDITOR.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, 450 0 0
Balance due to *Thomas Greene*, 62 14 10

£. 512 14 10

Newport, June 4th, 1761.

" WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable the Ge-
" neral Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Greene*,
" Eſq; one of the Committee of War, do report, That we have care-
" fully examined the Accounts of the ſaid *Greene* with the Colony, and
" find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame,
" whereby it appears that there is a Balance of £. 62 14 10 Lawful-
" Money, juſtly due from the Colony, to ſaid *Greene*, including his
" Commiſſions on the Money paid, calculated at the Rate of One and
" an Half *per Cent*. We likewiſe find he has given the Colony Credit
" for all the Monies received of the General Treaſurer."

Simeon Potter,
John Kinnicut, } *Committee.*

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Sixty-two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence Lawful-Money, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid to *Thomas Greene*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Jepſon* and *Samuel Freebody*, Eſqrs. were appointed a Committee to receive of the late Captain of *Fort George*, all the Stores belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to the preſent Captain of ſaid Fort, and they having performed that Buſineſs, made Report to this Aſſembly as follows, to wit:

WE the Subſcribers being by the General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee to receive of Capt. *William Mumford*, all the Stores at *Fort George*, and deliver the ſame to Capt. *William Read*, do report, That in Conformity thereto, we received of Lieutenant *John Beard*, (Capt. *William Mumford* being gone to *Providence*) the Stores contained in the following Liſt, and delivered the ſame to Captain *William Read*, as will appear by his Receipt hereunto annexed, to wit; 6 Cannon, 24 Pounders with Carriages and Aprons, and 320 Shot for the ſame, 18 Ditto 18 Pounders with Carriages and Aprons, and 1307 Shot for the ſame, 2 Ditto 9 Pounders with Carriages and Aprons and 81 ſingle and double headed Shot for the ſame, 4 old ſmall Cannon diſmounted and lying upon the Ground, 14 Ditto for the Uſe of the Colony's Veſſel, 23 Half Barrels of Powder in the Magazine, 17 Small Arms, 28 Piſtols, 2 Cutlaſſes, 14 Cartouch Boxes, 13 Wormers for large Cannon, 13 Ladles for Ditto, 26 Spunges and Rammers, 104 Hand-Spikes, 26 Linch Stocks, 25 Spunge Tubs, 26 Powder Horns, 28 Priming Wires,

2 Bitts, 5 Formers, 26 Cartridge Boxes, 1 Iron Wormer for Small Arms, 4 ſmall Caſks of Hand Granadoes, 1 Flag, 1 Pendant, 4 Skins of Parchment, a ſmall Quantity of Match, a ſmall Quantity of empty Cartridges, 5 Iron Pots, 1 Iron Bar, 1 Triangle Gin, and 1 Rowing Boat at the Wharf.

Fort-George, June 16th, 1761.
John Jepſon,
Samuel Freebody, } *Committee.*

Fort-George, in the Townſhip of *Newport*.

Received of the aboveſaid Committee into my Care, all the Stores agreeable to the above Liſt. Witneſs my Hand, this 16th Day of *June*, 1761. *William Read.*

And the ſaid Committee having alſo preſented the following Account, to wit:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland, - - - Dr---
To our Time and Trouble, £. 10 0 0
John Jepſon,
Samuel Freebody.

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; that the latter be allowed, and that Ten Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jepſon* and *Samuel Freebody*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Cardner* of *Newport*, preſented this Aſſembly with an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going an Expreſs to *Providence*, by Order of the General Aſſembly, which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Twenty-ſix Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Gardner*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Attorney General be, and he is hereby directed to put out a Writ to the Firſt Court in this Colony, in the Name of the General Treaſurer, againſt *Robert Hopkins*, for the Money he receiv'd of the Committee of War, and of *Tibbits Hopkins*, for his Bounty and Billeting for the Campaign for the Year 1760: He the ſaid *Robert Hopkins*, having neglected doing his Duty in going upon ſaid Campaign. And that Capt. *John Reynolds*, be appointed to receive of *Joſeph Hopkins*, the Receipt given by the ſaid *Robert Hopkins*, for the ſaid Monies, and deliver the ſame to the Attorney General.

WHEREAS *Jonathan Jeffers*, of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going an Expreſs to the South End of *Little-Compton*, by Order of the General Aſſembly. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the ſame *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Windows of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-four Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Franklin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for pinting the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly, made and paſſed at their Seſſion in *March* laſt, and providing Paper for the ſame: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Benjamin Arnold*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, preferred a Petition unto the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held in *Eaſt-Greenwich*, on the laſt Monday of *February* laſt, which was then referred to *Joſeph Lippit*, *Philip Greene*, and *Stephen Low*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to examine the ſame: And thoſe Gentlemen having done Nothing therein, *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Committee be, and they are hereby continued for the Purpoſe aforeſaid.

WHEREAS *Daniel Jenckes*, *Robert Potter*, and *John Jepſon*, Eſqrs. were appointed by the Lower Houſe, a Committee to examine the Accounts and Orders of *Joſeph Root*, and *Aaron Lyman*, for ſundry Expences that aroſe upon the Return of the Soldiers in the Service of this Colony the laſt Campaign. And the ſaid Committee having performed that Buſineſs, preſented the State of that Account, and there Report thereon as follows, to wit;

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland,		Dr.---
To *Samuel Blodget's* Account,	N°. 1.	£. 0 4 3
Jonathan Ruſſel's, Ditto,	2.	1 10 0
Aſa Kimbal's Order to *Fellus Billings*,	3.	1 6 8
Samuel Hunt's, Ditto. *Joſeph Root*,	4.	4 3 10
Solomon Roffy, Ditto. *Samuel Hunt*,	5.	0 7 10
Aſa Kimbal, Ditto. Ditto.	6.	1 8 8
William Bennet, Ditto, Ditto.	7.	0 8 0
Simeon Twogood, Ditto. Ditto.	8.	0 9 4
Joſhua Brown, Ditto. Ditto.	9.	0 16 8
Robert Nickels Account,	10	0 13 4
Aſa Kimbal's, Ditto.	11	0 3 4
Samuel Roſe Order to *Fell. Billings*,	12	1 10 8
Samuel Watſon's Ditto. Ditto.	13	0 16 8
Nathaniel Powers Account,	14	0 17 0
Jeremiah Shaw's Order to *Alex. Smith*,	15	0 9 0
Chriſtopher Hargill's Ditto. Ditto.		1 2 10
Samuel Watſon, Ditto. Ditto.		0 9 0
Thomas King, on Account of *Nath'l Smith*,	16	0 3 0
Samuel Roſe, Order to *Alexander Smith*,	17	0 4 0

To

To *Caleb Tripp's* Order to	*Alexander Smith*,		18	1	12	8
Tibbits Hopkins,	Ditto,	Ditto.	19	1	13	0
Aſa Kimbal,	Ditto,	*Peter Smith*.	20	0	12	0
William Bennet,	Ditto.	Ditto.	21	0	2	0
Samuel Roſe,	Ditto.	*Moſes Warner*,	22	2	3	5
Tibbits Hopkins,	Ditto.	Ditto.	23	0	12	4
Aſa Kimbal,	Ditto.	*Jacob Warner*,	24	0	19	4
Moſes Warner's Account,			25	0	5	3
William Bennet's Order to	*Alex. Smith*,		26	2	0	4
Aſa Kimbal's	Ditto.	*Moſes Warner*,	27	1	12	1
Solomon Roffey,	Ditto.	*Alex. Smith*,	28	0	7	6
Jeremiah Warner,	Ditto.	*Joſeph Root*,	29	0	15	6
Solomon Roffey,	Ditto.	*Joſeph Root*,	30	0	2	4
Peleg Slocum,	Ditto.	Ditto.	31	0	12	9
Jeremiah Slocum,	Ditto.	Ditto.	32	0	4	8
Jeremiah Fenner,	Ditto.	Ditto.	33	0	9	4
Aſa Kimbal,	Ditto.	*Simeon King*,	34	1	1	7
Walter Clarke,	Ditto.	*Joſeph Root*,	35	0	10	11
Jeremiah Shaw,	Ditto.	Ditto.	36	0	18	8
William Bennet,	Ditto.	Ditto.	37	2	1	4
Thomas Tew,	Ditto.	Ditto.	38	0	16	11
William Bennet,	Ditto.	Ditto.	39	2	7	7
Benj. Bellows,	Ditto.	Account, Ditto.	40	15	15	6
Iſaac Parker,	Ditto.		41	13	0	0;
Moſes Aldrich,	Ditto.		42	7	10	0
Nathaniel Davis,	Ditto.		43	0	19	4
Jeremiah Shaw's	Order.	*Joſeph Field*.	44	0	9	0
Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	45	0	6	8
Fellows Billings,	Ditto.	*Joſeph Root*,	46	1	9	5
Samuel Watſon,	Ditto.	*Nath. Dwight*,	47	2	11	6
Samuel Roſe,	Ditto.	Ditto.	48	2	11	6
Thomas Tew,	Ditto.	Ditto.	49	0	10	0
Walter Clarke,	Ditto.	Ditto.	50	0	12	0
William Bennet,	Ditto.	Ditto.	51	3	3	2
Nath. Dwight's Account,			52	0	6	10
William Bennet's Order to	*Duncan Quintan*,		53	9	0	0
Thomas Tew,	Ditto.	Ditto.	54	0	18	0
Chriſt. Hargil,	Ditto.	Ditto.	55	1	0	8
Jeremiah Shaw,	Ditto,	Ditto.	56	0	17	1
Tibbets Hopkins,	Ditto.	Ditto.	57	2	10	0
Caleb Tripp,	Ditto.	Ditto.	58	1	12	0
Peleg Slocum,	Ditto.	Ditto.	59	1	14	7
Walter Clarke,	Ditto.	Ditto.	60	2	17	4
Duncan Quintan's Account,			61	0	11	2
Jeremiah Fenner's Order,	*Jona. Chapen*,		62	0	14	0
Solomon Roffey,	Ditto.	*Aaron Lyman*,	63	0	3	9
Tibbits Hopkins,	Ditto.	Ditto.	64	0	5	4
Jeffery Wilcox,	Ditto.	Ditto.	65	1	1	8
Chriſtopher Hargil,	Ditto.	Ditto.	66	1	6	4
William Bennet,	Ditto.	Ditto.	67	2	14	8

			£.	s.	d.
To *Joſhua Brown*, Order, *Aaron Lyman*,	N°. 68		0	18	8
Jeremiah Shaw, Ditto. Ditto.	69		1	0	2
Aaron Lyman's Account,	70		0	16	9
Giles Crouch Kellog's Ditto.	71		0	3	0
Jonathan Graves, Ditto.	72		9	19	9
William Bennet's Order to *Jonathan Graves*,	73		3	7	1
Tibbits Hopkins, Ditto. Ditto.	74		0	3	0
Jeremiah Fenner's, Ditto. Ditto.	75		0	14	2
Jeffery Willcox, Ditto. Ditto.	76		1	1	5
Thomas Tew, Ditto. Ditto.	77		0	15	8
Walter Clarke's Order to *Iſrael Hubbard*,	78		0	10	8
Jere. Fenner, Ditto. Ditto.	79		0	9	0
Chriſto. Hargil, Ditto. Ditto.	80		1	6	8
Peleg Slocum, Ditto. Ditto.	81		0	18	11
Iſrael Hubbard's Account,	82		0	3	9
Joſeph Root's Account,	83		0	2	5
Jonathan Graves,	84		2	0	0
		£.	141	16	1
Deduct for one Order,			4	3	10
		£.	137	12	3
Time, Trouble, and Charge, coming to *Newport*,			8	0	0
		£.	145	12	3

WE the Subſcribers having examined the foregoing Orders and Accounts, do find, that the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty-ſeven Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Three Pence, Lawful Money, is due on them. And we think the Gentlemen ought to be allowed Four Pounds *Lawful Money*, (each Man) for their Trouble and Expences.

Witneſs our Hands,

Daniel Jenckes,
John Jepſon,
Robert Potter,
} Committee.

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted, and that One Hundred and Forty-five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Three Pence, the Amount of the latter, be paid to the ſaid *Joſeph Root* and *Aaron Lyman*, in *Lawful Money*, of this Colony, out of the General Treaſury.

The following Return of the Officers choſen by the Artillery Company, in the Town of *Providence*, to wit: *Joſeph Brown*, Captain; *Eleazer Harding*, Firſt Lieutenant; *James Green*, Second Lieutenant; and *Job Smith*, Enſign; was read in Council, and being duly conſidered, the ſaid Officers are approved.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Secretary of this Colony, be allowed

ed for the future, Five Shillings *Lawful Money*, for each Day he ſhall attend upon the General Aſſembly.

WHEREAS *Thomas Ward*, Eſq; late Secretary of this Colony, and others, were appointed a Committee and empowered to purſue a Right which this Colony hath to one Third Part of a certain Veſſel and Cargo, forfeited by the Statutes regulating Trade for illegal Commerce and Importation, committed by the Marquis *de Lambertie*, which Veſſel and Goods are in the Hands of *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; Whereupon an Action was commenced againſt the ſaid *Joſeph Wanton*, for ſaid Veſſel and Goods, which hath been long pending, and is not yet brought to a final Iſſue. And whereas it appears to this Aſſembly, that there are other Forfeitures of the ſame Kind, juſtly due to the Colony, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *John Aplin*, *Robert Potter*, and *William Bradford*, or the major Part of them be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to purſue and proſecute the aforementioned Suit againſt *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; until the ſame is brought to a final Iſſue: And alſo to enquire after, and purſue at Law, any Right this Colony hath to any Forfeitures as aforeſaid, to final Judgment.

WHEREAS *John Warkman*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Lock of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*, putting Irons upon a Priſoner, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Warkman*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Samuel Chace*, Eſq; and Mr. *George Jackſon*, who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; late one of the Committee of War, have laid before this Aſſembly, a State of his Account, and their Report thereon as follows, to wit:

Dr.--- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *to* Daniel Jenckes, *Eſq; one of the Committee of War.*

1760 to 1761.	To the Foot of my Account, from *June* 10th, 1760, to *June* 20th, 1761, auditted by Meſſrs. *Chace* and *Jackſon*,	*Lawful Money.* £. 3439 18 1¾
	To my Commiſſions on the above Sum, of £. 3439 18 1¾ a at One and an Half per Cent.	51 12 0
		£. 3491 10 1¾

CONTRA CREDITOR.

1760.	By Caſh received from the General Treaſury,	*Lawful Money.* £. 300 0 0

By

By Ditto,	£. 138	4	4
Dec. 29. By an Order on the Treaſurer, paid at ſundry Payments,	2500	0	0
1761. *April.* By Caſh of the General Treaſurer,	400	0	0
	£. 3338	4	4
By Balance due to *Daniel Jenckes*,	153	5	9½
	£. 3491	10	1½

Newport, June 25th, 1761.

WE the Subſcribers, Two of the Committee appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, to ſettle and audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; one of the Committee of War, do find the above to be a true State of his Account, and that the Balance of One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds Five Shillings and Nine Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Money, is juſt and right. Witneſs our Hands,

Samuel Chace,
George Jackſon.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And that the above Balance of One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds Five Shillings and Nine Pence, Three Farthings, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury; or that the General Treaſurer give Bond for the ſame at Seven per Cent. per Annum, to be paid in Lawful Money Bills of Credit of this Colony.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Nicholas Tillinghaſt* and *James Angell*, who were appointed a Committee to inſpect a Highway in *Providence*, made the following Report, to wit:

"WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee by the Honorable General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *March* laſt, to inſpect a Highway in the Town of *Providence*, do Report, That by the Records of ſaid Town, there is a Highway of Thirty-ſeven Feet wide, joining to the Main-Street, and holding the ſame Breadth, and extending to Low-Water Mark, lying between the School-Houſe and the Dwelling-Houſe of Mr. *William Smith*, and that the ſame is now appropriated as Part of the Gaol Yard, and ſome Part of a Barn ſtanding thereon."

Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS *Benjamin Salliſbury*, of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe, by the Juſtices of of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, in *January*, 1760 and 1761, at which Times the ſaid Court was held there. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed. and that Thirty Pounds

Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Salliſbury*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer take up all ſuch Notes as were given by the late Treaſurer, or by his Sons on his Behalf, for Lawful Money Bills of Credit by him hired, in Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly, paſſed at the Seſſion begun and held at *Providence*, on the laſt Monday of *March* laſt, and give Bond for the ſame: And that the General Treaſurer hire ſo much Lawful Money as ſhall be neceſſary, agreeable to the aforeſaid Act, directing the late General Treaſurer to hire Lawful Money for the Uſe of the Colony, not exceeding the Sum limited by the ſaid Act.

WHEREAS the Accounts of *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; the late General Treaſurer, deceaſed, are ſettled and adjuſted, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That thoſe Perſons who gave Bond with him for his faithfully executing that Office, be diſcharged from the ſaid Bond, and that the ſame be delivered up.

WHEREAS an Account was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, by the Executors of of *Nathan Jenckes*, late a Deputy Sheriff in the County of *Providence*, for ſundry Services performed by the ſaid *Nathan Jenckes*, in apprehending and removing ſeveral Criminals, in the Year 1755, and ſo forth, which Account having been examined by Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun. and Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, a Committee appointed for that Purpoſe by the Lower Houſe, who reported that they had examined the ſaid Account, and found the Sum of Ninety-three Pounds Sixteen Shillings, juſtly due thereon. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that the above Sum of Ninety-three Pounds Sixteen Shillings, be paid to the Executors of the ſaid *Nathan Jenckes*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Executors of the ſame *Nathan Jenckes*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account for attending upon the Courts, carrying a Deſerter to *Boſton*, apprehending Criminals, and ſundry other Services performed in the Years, 1755, 1756, and 1757, which Account being examined, by the ſame Gentlemen who auditted the other, and they having reported, that the Sum of One Hundred and Eighteen Pounds Eight Shillings, the Amount thereof, was juſtly due. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that the above Sum of One Hundred and Eighteen Pounds Eight Shillings, be paid to the Executors of the ſaid *Nathan Jenckes*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Richardſon* was appointed Quarter-Maſter of the Regiment raiſed by this Colony, for the Campaign made in the Year 1759. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *James Richardſon* be, and he is hereby allowed the ſame Wages as *Andrew Boid* was allowed the laſt Year for the ſame Service.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the laſt Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which ſhould have been held in the Counties of *Kings-County*, *Briſtol* County, and *Kent* County, fell thro' by Reaſon that a ſufficient Number of Judges did not meet, and thence great Failure of Juſtice is likely to enſue, unleſs a fit Remedy be provided for the ſame: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying or pending before the ſaid Courts, at the Times the ſame fell thro' as aforeſaid, ſhall be done and tranſacted at the next Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, to be holden in ſaid Counties at the Times appointed by Law; and that the ſame ſhall be as good, binding and effectual, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if the ſaid Courts that fell through had been actually held, and the Buſineſs then and there done, tranſacted and effected.

WHEREAS *Iſaac Lawton* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Work done upon the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Nine Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid to the ſaid *Iſaac Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Fourteen Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor, be allowed and paid to the Honorable *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; the preſent Governor of this Colony, out of the General Treaſury, for his Salary and extraordinary Service, for Two Years laſt paſt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to collect all ſuch Sums of Money as are due to the Colony, by Bonds, Notes, or otherwiſe, and to ſue all ſuch Perſons immediately as ſhall neglect or refuſe to pay what is due from them.

An ACT for the Maintenance of Inſolvent Debtors and poor Priſoners at the King's Suit, in Gaol, and for repealing the ſeveral Acts heretofore made for that Purpoſe.

WHEREAS the Allowance made by the Laws of this Colony, now in force, to Inſolvent Debtors and poor Priſoners, at the King's Suit, confined in Gaol, is by Reaſon of the advanced Price of the Neceſſaries of Life, found to be inſufficient.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That all the ſeveral Acts for the Allowance of Inſolvent Debtors and poor Priſoners, at the King's Suit, heretofore made, be, and they are hereby repealed and declared null and void.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the future when any Inſolvent Debtor ſtands committed to any Priſon in this Government,

Government, in any Action upon Menſe Proceſs or Execution, the Party at whoſe Suit the Action is commenced, ſhall be obliged to pay ſuch Inſolvent Debtor, Six Pounds Old-Tenor per Week. And if the Party refuſes or neglects to ſatisfy and pay the ſame, that then ſuch Inſolvent Debtor ſhall have the Liberty and Benefit of ſuing for the ſame, by Action of the Caſe, before any Juſtice of the Peace or Warden, by a Warrant under their Hands, directed to the Sheriff of the County where ſuch Action is brought, or to either of his Deputies, or either of the Conſtables or Town Serjeants, where the Offence is committed, and upon Proof made, ſhall recover his Demands with Coſts of Proſecution, and have Execution for the ſame, returnable in Ten Days, which Judgment ſo given, ſhall be final. *Mesne*

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That where any Inſolvent Debtor is committed to Gaol at the Suit of more than one Creditor, that in ſuch Caſe, all the Creditors ſhall ſatisfy and pay the ſaid Six Pounds, allowed as aforeſaid, in equal Proportion, which if not ſatisfied and paid, that then the Inſolvent Debtor ſhall have the Liberty of bringing his Action againſt any one of the Creditors, for the Sum allowed by this Act: And that ſuch Creditor paying the Inſolvent Debtor's Demand, ſhall recover and have by Action of the Caſe, of the other Creditor or Credtors, at whoſe Suit or Suits the Debtor is committed, his or their proportionable Part of the Sum allowed, as aforeſaid with Coſts: And the ſame to be recovered by ſuch Creditor, againſt the other Creditor or Creditors, in Manner as the ſame is recovered by the Inſolvent Debtor as aforeſaid.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Five Pounds per Week be allowed to the Gaol Keeper, for the Support of every poor Priſoner that is now, or ſhall hereafter be confined to any Gaol in this Colony, at His Majeſty's Suit

An ACT for preventing Sheep and other Cattle from being killed, worried, or torn by Dogs.

WHEREAS great Damage has lately been done to ſeveral Perſons in and near the Town of Newport, *by Dogs killing and worrying their Sheep.*

For preventing whereof

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That if any Perſon, except he be a Butcher or a Tanner, ſhall keep a Bull, Maſtiff, Spaniel, Water Dog or Bitch, above the Size of Lap-Dogs, or Dogs being the ſmaller Sort, in the Town of *Newport*, the Owner of ſuch Dog or Bitch, ſhall pay a Tax into the Town Treaſury of the Town of *Newport*, of Forty Shillings Old-Tenor, for every Month that ſuch Perſon ſhall keep ſuch Dog or Bitch.

And

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon ſhall refuſe or neglect to pay ſuch Tax, the Town Treaſurer of the Town of *Newport*, for the Time being, is hereby empowered and directed to ſue for the ſame, by Action of the Caſe, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of any Juſtice of the Peace in ſaid Town, and upon due Proof thereof, being made, the Town Teraſurer ſhall recover ſuch Monies as ſhall be due, with Coſts of Proſecution, and ſhall have Execution for the ſame.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Perſon whatſoever, within the Town of *Newport*, ſhall ſuffer any ſuch Dog or Bitch to go at large at any Time, between the Setting and Riſing of the Sun. And if any ſuch Dog or Bitch ſhall be found abroad at ſaid Time, without his Owner be with him, it ſhall and may be lawful for any Perſon or Perſons, to kill ſuch Dog or Bitch ſo found abroad, and the Owner or Owners thereof ſhall recover no Damage therefor.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Secretary publiſh this Act forthwith.

Publiſhed according to Order, on the Twenty-ſeventh Day of *June*, 1761, *by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

WHEREAS *Peleg Rogers* and *Richard Willſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for ſweeping and cleaning the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, aſſiſting the Carpenter, ſawing Wood, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty-one Pounds Fourteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peleg Rogers* and *Richard Willſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, who was appointed to procure the Colony-Houſe in *Newport* to be painted, preſented this Aſſembly with the following Account, to wit;

Dr.-- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland with *Benjamin Wickham*;

1760, *Sept.*	To Caſh paid *William Pelſue's* Bill for painting the Colony-Houſe, &c. - -	£.	550	0 0
To Ditto paid *Thomas Melvil's* Bill for making new Cellar Doors, and repairing Cellar Windows,			45	0 0
To Ditto paid *Philip Peckham*, 2 Bills for pointing the Walls all round the Colony-Houſe, and repairing Chimneys, &c.			46	10 0
To Caſh paid for Boards and Plank for the Houſe,			26	5 0
To Carting Ditto,			1	0 0
To Caſh paid for Nails			7	0 0

To

To Punch for the Workmen,	£. 2 0 0
To *Pelſue*'s Account for painting and gilding the Dial, and finding the Stuff,	68 0 0
	£. 745 15 0

CONTRA CREDITOR.

1760, *Sept.*	By Caſh at ſundry Times out of the General Treaſury,	649 0 0
	Balance due on this Account,	96 15 0
		£. 745 15 0

Newport, June 26th, 1761.
Save Errors,
per BENJAMIN WICKHAM:

MEMORANDUM.

I have rented out the Cellars under the Colony Houſe to Meſſrs. *Naphtali* and *Iſaac Hart*, for One Hundred and Eighty Pounds per Annum, commencing the 27th of *Auguſt*, 1760.

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that the Balance thereof, being Ninety-ſix Pounds Fifteen Shillings, Old-Tenor, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Wickham*, out of the General Treaſury.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers, to wit;

Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Fourth Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony, in the Room of *Thomas Wickham*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Samuel Nightingale, Eſq; Fifth Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony, in the Room of *John Burton*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Simon Davis, Eſq; Chief Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, in the Room of *Matthew Allen*, Eſq; deceaſed.

WHEREAS *Reuben Hudſon*, did heretofore prefer a Petition, and repreſent unto this Aſſembly, That he had taken the Small Pox at *Albany*, during the Time he was a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, which put him to a very great Expence, and thereupon prayed to be reimburſed out of the General Treaſury. And Col. *Thomas Greene*, who was appointed to examine into the Truth of the ſaid Petition, having reported, That it appeared that the ſaid *Reuben Hudſon* did take the Small Pox at *Albany*, in the Service of the Colony: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Account of the ſaid *Reuben Hudſon* be ſubmitted to the Committee of War, who are hereby empowered to examine the ſame, and order Payment of what ſhall appear to them to be due, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Thomas Fry*, who was appointed Firſt Lieutenant of the Colonel's Company, for the preſent Campaign, hath inliſted Nine Men, and hath Encouragement from others, that they will inliſt. And whereas, there is no Officer to take Care of the Soldiers now to be embarked: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to commiſſionate the ſaid *Thomas Fry*, that he may embark with ſaid Soldiers.

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That no Wages nor Billeting be paid to any Officers that were choſen by the General Aſſembly, who have not raiſed the Number of Men appointed for them to raiſe, before they were to be entitled to their Commiſſions and Wages.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee wait upon *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, upon the Sixth Day of *July* next, to receive of him all the Mortgages, Bonds, Files of Papers, Money, and every Thing elſe in his Hands, belonging to the Colony, and proceed to do the other Buſineſs for which they were appointed.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Peter Harriſon*, *Pollipus Hammond*, and *John Mawdſley*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to inſpect into the Light-Houſe, in order to diſcover the Cauſe of the Failure thereof: And that they alſo view the Draught or Model of the Light-Houſe in *Boſton*, and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

An ACT for enquiring into the Value of Rateable Eſtates in this Colony, in Order that a juſt Proportion of the Rates and Taxes may be aſſeſſed and levied on the Inhabitants.

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Aſſeſſors of each Town within this Colony, together with Two other Perſons, hereafter to be appointed, be, and they are hereby conſtituted a Committee, to take a true and perfect Liſt, according to their beſt Skill and Underſtanding, agreeable to the Liſt hereunto annexed, containing an Account of all Male Polls of Sixteen Years old and upwards, diſtinguiſhing ſuch as are exempt from Rates, and of all Rateable Eſtates lying within ſaid Towns, by whom occupied, and what each Perſon's Real Eſtate may rent for by the Year, particularly mentioning, Land, Dwelling-Houſes, Still-Houſes, Ware-houſes, and all other Buildings, Wharves, Griſt-Mills, Fulling-Mills, Saw-Mills, and all other Mills, Spermaceti Works, Lime-Kilns, Tan-Yards, Iron-Works and Furnaces, and what each of ſaid Eſtates may rent for by the Year, in the Judgment of the ſaid Committee, all Indian, Negro, or Molatto Servants, for Life, from Fourteen to Forty-five Years of Age, the Number of Tons of Veſſels of every Kind, upwards of Ten Tons Burthen, according to Carpenter's Tonnage, if at Home, if abroad;

abroad, one Third Part of the Number of Tons of ſaid Veſſels, together with one Third Part of their Cargoes, each Perſons whole Stock in Trade, including all Veſſels under the Burthen of Ten Tons (excepting ſuch as belong to, and are the Appurtenances of other Veſſels) all Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, and Money by them, of their own Property, alſo including thoſe in their Hands by Factorage, all wrought Plate and Money at Intereſt, which any Perſon hath, more than he pays intereſt for, and alſo all Horſes, Oxen, Cows, Goats, Sheep, and Swine, at the reſpective Ages in ſaid Liſt. And ſaid Committee in taking ſaid Valuation ſhall diſtinguiſh the different Improvements of Land, and return their Liſt in the following Manner, viz. the Number of Acres of Paſture, the Number of Acres of Tillage Land, the Number of Acres of Orchards, the Number of Acres of Salt Marſh and Sedge; the Number of Acres of Preſh Meadow, and Engliſh Mowing Land, and alſo what Stock each Paſture is ordinarily capable of feeding, and what Quantity of Produce the ſaid Tillage, Mowing, and Orchard Land, yearly affords, taking One Year with another.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Perſons may, upon Oath or Affirmation, add to the Liſt of their Rateable Eſtates, an Account of all ſuch Debts as they owe. And that the ſaid Committee, if they ſhall think the ſame juſt, may deduct ſuch Debts from their Perſonal Eſtates.

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Tenants or Perſons in Poſſeſſion of Eſtates, ſhall give an Account of the ſame. And that where Lands are not in the Poſſeſſion of any Perſon, that the ſaid Committee give an Account of them, according to the beſt of their Judgment, and eſtimate the Value thereof. And that the ſaid Committee eſtimate all unimproved Lands.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all ſettled Miniſters of the Goſpel, be, and they hereby are exempted from paying the Poll-Tax.

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Servants for Life, between Fourteen and Forty-five Years of Age, ſhall be valued at Five Hundred Pounds, Horſes and Mares from Two to Four Years of Age, at Forty Pounds per Head, from Four Years of Age and upwards, at Eighty Pounds per Head, Oxen of Four Years old and upwards, at Ninety Pounds per Head; Cows and Heifers of Three Years old and upwards, at Seventy Pounds per Head, Heifers from Two to Three Years old, at Forty Pounds per Head; Steers and Bulls, from Two to Four Years old, at Fifty Pounds per Head; Goats One Year old and upwards, at Three Pounds per Head; Sheep One Year old and upwards, at Five Pounds per Head; and Swine Six Months old, and upwards, at Twelve Pounds per Head.

And

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Committee, before they enter upon this Work, ſhall take the following Oath or Affirmation, viz.

" *YOU do ſolemnly ſwear (or affirm) that you will*
" *faithfully and impartially, according to your beſt Skill and Judgment,*
" *do, and perform your whole Duty, as a Committee, in making an Eſti-*
" *mate and Valuation of all Rateable Eſtates in ſaid Town, for which you*
" *are appointed, without Favor or Prejudice.*"

Which Oath ſhall be adminiſtred to ſaid Committee, by any Juſtice of the Peace or Warden, within ſaid Town.

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon hereby appointed as a Committee, ſhall refuſe or neglect taking ſuch Oath or Affirmation, he ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money, or upon taking the ſame ſhall refuſe or neglect to do his Duty, required by this Act, or ſhall any Ways, act deceitfully therein, he ſhall, for every of theſe Offences, forfeit and pay, a Fine of Thirty Pounds Lawful-Money,

And it is farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Committee, or the Major Part of them be, and they are hereby fully empowered and authorized, to adminiſter an Oath or Affirmation, to any inhabitant in ſaid Town, that he or ſhe ſhall give a true Account of his or her Rateable Eſtate, Improvements, and Rents, in Writing, under his or her Hand, agreeable to the true Intent of this Act, and upon Refuſal, ſhall be doomed by the Aſſeſſors, according to their beſt Skill and Ability, and ſhall for ſuch Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money. Which Oath or Affirmation, ſhall be in the following Form, *viz.*

" *YOU do ſwear (or affirm) that the Account now ex-*
" *hibited by you, is to the beſt of your Knowledge and Judgment, a*
" *full Account of all your Rateables, agreeable to the Liſt now exhibited to*
" *you.*"

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſeveral Committees ſo appointed, as aforeſaid, ſhall tranſmit the Eſtimate and Valuation of Eſtates, made by them, as aforeſaid, unto the next Seſſion of Aſſembly, on Penalty that ſuch Committee, ſo neglecting or refuſing ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds Lawful Money.

And for the more effectual carrying this Act into Execution, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That the Deputies of the ſeveral Towns within this Colony, ſhall call upon, and requeſt the reſpective Committees, to undertake their Duty and Truſt as aforeſaid, within Five Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and upon the Refuſal of any Perſon hereby appointed, the Town Meeting ſhall be immediately called

ed, who ſhall appoint another Perſon or Perſons, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, in the Room of him or them ſo refuſing, who ſhall be ſubject to the ſame Rules and Penalties as the Committees who are by this Act appointed.

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Fines and Forfeitures ariſing by this Act, ſhall be recovered by Action or Information, in any of the Courts of Record in this Colony, by the General Treaſurer, to and for the Uſe of the Colony.

And for the Encouragement of ſaid Committee to undertake ſaid Work, *It is farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That each Perſon who ſhall do and perform his Duty, as enjoined by this Act, ſhall be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Six Shillings Lawful Money, for each Day he ſhall be neceſſarily employed therein.

And be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Secretary ſend by Expreſs to the Firſt Deputy in each Town a printed Copy of this Act, and the Liſt hereunto annexed within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

The Gentlemen whoſe Names hereafter follow; were appointed to be of the Committee in the ſeveral Towns, to enquire into the Value of the Rateable Eſtates in this Colony.

NEWPORT. Mr. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, Mr. *Walter Cranſton.*
PROVIDENCE. Capt. *Charles Olney*, *James Angel*, Eſq;
PORTSMOUTH. *John Almy*, Eſq; *Robert Burrington*, jun. Eſq;
WARWICK. *Philip Greene*, Eſq; *Othniel Gorton* Eſq;
WESTERLY. Capt. *George Stillman*, Capt. *Elias Thompſon.*
NEW-SHOREHAM. *Samuel Rathbone*, Eſq; *John Littlefield*, Eſq;
NORTH-KINGSTOWN. Capt. *Samuel Browning*, jun. Mr. *Henry Wall.*
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN. Mr. *Samuel Rogers*; Mr. *Chriſtopher Robinſon.*
JAMESTOWN. Mr. *Oliver Martin*, Mr. *Edward Carr.*
EAST-GREENWICH. *Giles Pierce*, Eſq; *John Cllin*, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD. Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*, *Thomas Lapham*, Eſq;
SCITUATE. *Charles Harris*, Eſq; Capt. *Timothy Hopkins.*
GLOUCESTER. *Timothy Wilmarth*, Eſq; Mr. *Oliver Arnold.*
CHARLESTOWN. *John Champlin*, Eſq; Mr. *Samuel Burdick*, jun.
WEST-GREENWICH. *Charles Carr*, Eſq; *Iſaac Johnſon*, Eſq;
COVENTRY. *George Hall*, Eſq; Mr. *Stephen Colegrove.*
EXETER. Mr. *Jeoffry Champlin*, *Stephen Richmond*, Eſq;
MIDDLETOWN. *John Barker*, Eſq; Mr. *Thomas Weaver* (Son of *Clement.*)
BRISTOL. *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; *Royal Payne*, Eſq;
TIVERTON. *Thomas Anthony*, Eſq; Mr. *Job Durfee.*
LITTLE-COMPTON. *Nathaniel Searle*, Eſq; Capt. *Thomas Brownel.*
WARREN. *Nathan Miller*, Eſq; Mr *Matthew Watſon.*

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GUMBERLAND. *Uriah Jillſon*, Eſq; Mr. *Joſeph Davis*.
RICHMOND. Mr. *Stephen Hoxſie*, Maj. *Richard Bailey*.
CRANSTON. *Chriſtopher Lippitt*, Eſq; *Nathaniel Williams*, Eſq;
HOPKINTON. *Hezekiah Collins*, Eſq; *Simeon Perry*, Eſq;
JOHNSTON. *Thomas Owen*, Eſq; *John Fenner*, Eſq;

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame, together with the Acts and Orders of the two laſt Seſſions, according to Law: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the Firſt Monday of *September* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Sixth Day of July, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

SEPTEMBER, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Monday of *September*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT.

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;	JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;	FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;	HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;	

} Aſſiſtants. } Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
The Speaker,
Col. *Joſeph Wanton*,
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Oliver Earl*,
Mr. *George Brownel*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Low*,
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock*.

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NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Capt. *John Paine.*
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter,*
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock.*
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene.*
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Thomas Carr,*
William Haſzard, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton,*
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey.*
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt.*
GLOUCESTER ,
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Timothy Wilmarth, Eſq;
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Mr. *Benjamin Gardner,*
Benjamin Tillinghaſt. Eſq.
COVENTRY ;
Capt. *Iſaac Greene,*
Col. *Stephen Potter*

EXETER ;
Capt. *John Reynolds,*
Mr. *John Chapman.*
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker,* jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton.*
BRISTOL ;
Capt. *Simeon Potter,*
Mr. *William Bradford.*
TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee.*
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall. Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel.*
WARREN ;
John Kinnicut, Eſq,
CUMBERLAND ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq,
John Dexter, Eſq;
RICHMOND :
Major *Richard Bailey,*
CRANSTON ;
Capt. *Matthew Mancheſter.*
HOPKINTON :
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke,*
Capt. *Edward Wells,* jun.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton.*

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower-Houſe.

WHEREAS *Stephen Arnold,* Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent,* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Wood for, and attending upon the Aſſembly which was held at *Eaſt-Greenwich,* in *February* laſt; for ſundry Neceſſaries for the Court-Houſe and Gaol in ſaid County ; and for warning the Members of the General Aſſembly in *December* and *March* laſt : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifty-eight Pounds Thirteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Stephen Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Town of *Providence* be, and they are hereby allowed to raiſe a further Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, by a Lottery, conſiſting of Three Claſſes, to be employed in paving the Streets in ſaid Town, in the ſame Manner as the Lottery granted for that Purpoſe, by the General Aſſembly, which was held in *February* laſt. That Meſſrs. *John Jenckes, Daniel Tillinghaſt, Ebenezer Thompſon, Richard Jackſon,*

Jackſon, and *Amos Atwell*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that each of them give Bond to the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Diſcharge of the Truſt repoſed in him, in double the Sum he ſhall receive in each Claſs.

Whereas *Caleb Peckham* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Chimneys, building an Oven, providing Bricks and other Materials, and whitewaſhing the Goal in the County of *Newport*; and the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighty-four Pounds Three Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Caleb Peckham* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, on the laſt Monday of *February* laſt, paſſed an Act for raiſing by a Lottery the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, to be appropriated towards paving the lower End of Thames-Street in ſaid Town: That the Money ſo raiſed, hath been applied accordingly, but is found inſufficient to complete the ſame: That unleſs the ſaid Pavement be continued, the Inhabitants will ſtill be ſubject to great Inconveniences, by Reaſon of the Badneſs of that Part of the Street that is yet unpaved: And therefore the Petitioners prayed, That they might have Liberty to raiſe a further Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, by a Lottery, conſiſting of Four Claſſes, each of which to be agreeable to the Scheme preſented with the ſaid Petition: And that the Perſons who may be appointed Managers, be empowered and directed to apply the ſaid Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, in continuing the Pavement aforeſaid, until the whole thereof ſhall be expended.

Scheme of the Firſt Claſs of ſaid Lottery, preſented with ſaid Petition, conſiſting of Two Thouſand Tickets, at Six Pounds Old-Tenor each; of which Six Hundred and Eighty-one to be Prizes, ſubject to no Deduction, of the following Value, to wit:

1	of	£. 500	is	£. 500
1	of	300	is	300
1	of	200	is	200
2	of	100	are	200
4	of	50	are	200
10	of	30	are	300
16	of	25	are	400
81	of	20	are	1620
565	of	12	are	6780
681	Prizes, amounting to			£. 10500
1319	Blanks.		For the Pavement,	1500
2000	Tickets, at Six Pounds each,		- -	12000

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered,

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and the Scheme by them preſented with

with their Petition, approved; and that Meſſrs. *Thomas Cranſton*, *Silas Cooke*, *Evan Malbone*, *Andrew Hunter*, *John Malbone*, *Samuel Bours*, *Henry John Overing*, and *Samuel Freebody*, be conſtituted Directors of the ſaid Lottery, and they are hereby empowered and required to apply the Money which ſhall be raiſed thereby, according to the Tenor of the ſaid Petition; and that each of them give Bond to the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in him, in double the Sum he ſhall receive in each Claſs.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Shearjaſhub Bourn* and *John Howland*, who were by a Vote of the General Aſſembly, appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, the Books of Record, Files of Papers, Seals, and every Thing elſe belonging to the ſaid Offices, and deliver them to the preſent Clerks, did, upon a Copy of the ſaid Vote, preſent the following Report and Account, to wit:

BRISTOL, June 22, 1761.

AS within directed, we have received of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of *Briſtol*, the Books, Files of Papers, and ſo forth, belonging to ſaid Office, and delivered them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court: And have alſo received of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and ſo forth, for ſaid County, the Books, Files of Papers, Seal, and ſo forth, belonging to ſaid Office, in his Hands, and delivered the ſame to the preſent Clerk of ſaid Court, and have given and taken Receipts for the ſame.

Shearjaſhub Bourn,
John Howland, } Committee.

The Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, to *Shearjaſhub Bourn* and *John Howland*, Dr.---

TO our Time and Trouble in tranſacting the above Buſineſs, one Day, at Five Pounds each, } £. 10

Shearjaſhub Bourn,
John Howland.

And the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Ten Pounds, the Amount of the latter, be paid the ſaid *Shearjaſhub Bourn* and *John Howland*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Francis Willet* and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Joſeph Haſzard*, Eſq; preſented this Aſſembly with the following Report, and State of that Account, to wit:

WE the Subſcribers, being with *Benjamin Peckham*, jun. Eſq; by the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and ſo forth, appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Joſeph Haſzard*, Eſq; late one of the Committee of War for the Colony aforeſaid, having examined the ſaid Accounts, find the ſame to conſiſt of Caſh paid to the Soldiers, and to ſundry Perſons, for Neceſſaries for the Service of ſaid Troops, from whom he produced Receipts for the ſeveral Sums ſo paid, amounting to Three Thouſand Three Hundred and Nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence One Farthing, Lawful Money: To which is added

added a Commiſſion of One and an Half per Cent. We alſo find, by a Certificate from the General Treaſurer, that the ſaid *Joſeph Haſzard* had received out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Three Thouſand Three Hundred Pounds, Lawful Money: And upon a Settlement of the whole, we find a Balance of Fifty Nine Pounds Five Shillings and Four Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Money, due to ſaid *Joſeph Haſzard*, according to the under-written Account.

Dr.--- The Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, to *Joſeph Haſzard*.

1761.	TO Caſh paid ſundry Perſons, as per Receipts,	£.	3309	12 6¾
	Commiſſion One and an Half per Cent.		49	12 10½
			3359	5 4¼

CREDITOR.

BY	Caſh received of the General Treaſurer,	£.	3300	0 0
	Balance due to *Joſeph Haſzard*,		59	5 4¼
			3359	5 4¼

All which is ſubmitted by

Francis Willet,
James Helme.

South-Kingſtown, July 7th, 1761.

And the ſaid Committee having ſubjoined to the foregoing Report, the following Account, to wit:

The Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, to *Francis Willet* and *James Helme*, Dr.---

1761. *July 7.* TO two Days each, in examining the Accounts of *Joſeph Haſzard*, Eſq; late one of the Committee of War, at Eight Pounds per Day each, £. 32 - -

Francis Willet,
James Helme.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That Fifty-nine Pounds Five Shillings and Four Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Money, being the Balance of the ſaid *Joſeph Haſzard's* Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: And that Twenty-four Pounds of the Account of the ſaid *Willet* and *Helme*, be allowed and paid them out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee which was appointed to audit the Accounts of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby continued a Committee for that Purpoſe: That they receive of the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols*, all the Bills of Credit in his Hands, which were paid in for Tenth Bonds, due to the Colony, and burn the ſame and make Report to the General Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS *William Paul*, one of the Deputy-Sheriffs of the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Service in aſſiſting at the Execution of *Hawkins* and *Parcks*, by Order of their Honors the Governor and Deputy Governor: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and*

and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twelve Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Paul*, out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT altering the Times of holding the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in this Colony, and alſo of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, for the ſeveral Counties in this Colony.

WHEREAS the beginning the Seſſion of the ſeveral Superior and Inferior Courts, upon the Days now appointed by Law, interferes in ſome Counties, with the Town Meetings, and it is alſo found by Experience, that the Buſineſs of the Term, cannot always be completed in the Week.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout this Colony, ſhall meet and ſit at the following Times and Places, to wit. At *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*, on the firſt Monday in *September*, and on the Firſt Monday in *March*, annually. At *Providence*, within and for the County of *Providence*, on the Third Monday in *September*, and on the Third Monday in *March*, annually. At *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the County of *Kings-County*, on the Firſt Monday in *October*, and on the Firſt Monday in *April*, annually. At *Briſtol*, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, on the Second Monday in *October*, and on the Second Monday in *April*, annually. At *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the County of *Kent*, on the Third Monday in *October*, and on the laſt Monday in *April*, annually.

AND be it farther Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the future, the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the ſeveral Counties in this Colony, ſhall meet and ſit at the following Times and Places, to wit. At *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*, on the laſt Monday in *May*, and on the Third Monday in *November*, annually. At *Providence*, within and for the County of *Providence*, on the Third Monday in *June*, and on the Third Monday in *December*, annually. At *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the County of *Kings-County*, on the Second Monday in *Auguſt*, and on the Third Monday in *February*, annually. At *Briſtol*, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, on the firſt Monday in *July*, and on the Firſt Monday in *January*, annually. At *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the County of *Kent*, on the Third Monday in *July*, and on the Third Monday in *January*, annually. *Provided Nevertheleſs*, That the Part of this Act, altering the Times of holding the Inferior Courts ſhall not take Effect, nor be in Force, in any County in this Colony, until the Time of arreſting to the Inferior Court, to be next holden in ſuch County ſhall firſt expire; but that the Judges of the ſeveral Inferior Courts in this Colony, ſhall hold their next Term in each County, at the Time heretofore appointed by Law.

AND

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Petit Jury attend the ſeveral Inferior Courts in this Colony, upon the Second Day of the Courts ſitting. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary of this Act, or any Part thereof, in any wiſe, notwithſtanding.

An ACT empowering the ſeveral Towns in this Colony to chooſe a Deputy or Deputies, in the Room of any Perſon or Perſons choſen to repreſent any Town, who ſhall refuſe to ſerve, or ſhall remove out of the Colony with his or their Families, or ſhall die before the Time for which they were choſen, ſhall expire.

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That if any Perſon that ſhall be elected a Deputy to ſerve at the Seſſion of Aſſembly, to be held in *May* or *October*, or any Perſon choſen at the Town Meetings held in *Auguſt* laſt, ſhall refuſe to ſerve at the Seſſion for which they were choſen, and ſhall declare the ſame to the Town Clerk of the Town by which he was choſen, that then, and in that Caſe, ſuch Town Clerk ſhall iſſue forth a Warrant to warn the Freemen of ſaid Town, to meet together and chooſe another Deputy or Deputies to ſerve in the Room of him or them that ſhall refuſe.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whenever it ſhall happen, that any Deputy or Deputies of any Town in this Colony, ſhall die, or remove out of the Colony, with his Family, between the Time of his being choſen, and the Seſſion of Aſſembly to which he was choſen, or after he ſhall have taken his Engagement, and attended at the Seſſion of Aſſembly, to which he was choſen, that then the Town by which ſuch Deputy or Deputies were choſen, ſhall forthwith proceed to chooſe another Deputy or Deputies, to ſerve in the Room of him or them that ſhall die or remove out of the Colony as aforeſaid, in the Manner by the Firſt Paragraph of this Act directed. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage, to the contrary hereof, in any wiſe, notwithſtanding.

Whereas Col, *Job Bennet*, and Mr. *Walter Cranſton*, two of the Committee appointed to ſettle the Accounts of the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; late a Member of the Committee of War, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, the following State of that Account, together with their Report thereon, and an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, to wit :

Dr.--- The Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, to *John Gardner*.

1761. *April.*	TO the Amount of ſundry Accounts, and Balance of Wages, paid ſince the laſt Audit, the 4th *February*, 1761.	£. 121	9 0
	To Levy Money for 40 Men, at 6*ſ.*	12	0 0
	To the Amount of Bounty for 40 Men,	200	0 0
	To the Amount of Billeting ditto, and ſix Officers,	115	4 10
	To the Amount of Advance Wages,	286	15 5½
	To my Commiſſions at One and an Half per Cent.	11	1 0
		£. 746	10 3½

Creditor.

CREDITOR.

BY Two Barrels of Pork, and ſo forth,	£.	6	10 0
By Caſh received out of the General Treaſury, from the 8th *December*, 1760, to the preſent Time, as appears by the Treaſurer's Certificate,		670	0 0
	£.	676	10 0.
Balance due,		70	0 3½
	£.	746	10 3½

WE the Subſcribers, with Mr. *Solomon Townſend*, being appointed by the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, a Committee to audit the Accounts of *John Gardner*, Eſq; late one of the Committee of War for the Colony aforeſaid, having examined the ſaid Accounts, and compared them with the Vouchers, do find a Balance due from ſaid Colony, to the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; of Seventy Pounds and Three Pence Halfpenny, Lawful Money, agreeable to the above Accounts.

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton.

Newport, *Sept.* 10*th*, 1761.

Dr.--- Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, to *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Walter Cranſton.*

FOR One and an Half Day each, in tranſacting the above Buſineſs, at Six Pounds per Day,	£.	18	0 0

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and is hereby accepted: That Seventy Pounds and Three Pence Halfpenny, Lawful Money, the Balance of the ſaid *John Gardner*'s Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: And that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount of the Account of the ſaid *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Walter Cranſton*, be paid them out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Lippet* and *Francis Willet*, Eſqrs. Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, *John Shearman*, jun. *Daniel Jenckes*, *Richard Steere*, *Robert Potter*, *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, *John Kinnicut*, and *Stephen Potter*, Eſqrs. be, and they or the major Part of them are hereby conſtituted a Committee to receive the Eſtimates returned to this Aſſembly, of the Rateable Eſtates of the ſeveral Towns, and to examine and compare them, put them upon the ſame Footing, and form one General Eſtimate from the whole, and preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Committee be, and they are hereby fully fully empowered to call before them, all, or any of the ſeveral Committees who took ſaid Eſtimates, who are hereby directed to attend upon being ſo called, and give what Information they can reſpecting the ſaid Eſtimates, upon the Penalty of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money, for every Offence, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, by any Action, in any Court of Record in the Colony. And farther, the ſaid Committee are hereby empowered to ſend for all, or any of the Accounts or Liſts of the Rateable Eſtates rendered by the ſeveral Inhabitants, and any other Papers or Evidences, reſpecting the ſaid Affair, and to adminiſter an Oath or Engagement, to any Perſon who ſhall come before them.

And

And it is farther Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of the Town of *South-Kingſtown*, proceed forthwith to take an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the ſaid Town, agreeable to the Act paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, and make Report as ſoon as may be, to the Committee above appointed.

WE the Subſcribers diſſent from the Vote, for having Ten Committee Men, to inſpect into the Valuation from the ſeveral Towns.

Becauſe we are of Opinion, that Five would tranſact that Buſineſs as well as ſo large a Number, and not be ſo Expenſive to the Colony by one Half.

Job Durfee,
Robert Potter,
Benjamin Gardner,
John Chapman,
Hezekiah Babcock,
John Reynolds, jun.
Benjamin Greene,
Thomas Anthony,
Iſaac Greene,
William Hall (Son of *John*)
Richard Bailey.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Wanton*, jun. of *Newport*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That a certain Brigantine, whereof *Jeremiah Cranſton* was Maſter, owned by the Petitioner, was taken by a *French* Privateer, called the St. *Barbara*, on her Paſſage from *New-Providence*. That the ſaid *Jeremiah Cranſton*, ranſomed the ſaid Veſſel and Cargo for Three Thouſand Five-Hundred Pieces of Eight, for the Payment of which he pledged the Body of one *Iſaac Godfrey* as an Hoſtage, who was carried to *Port-au-Paix*, in the *French Weſt-Indies*, being the Place agreed upon; where he muſt languiſh until the ſaid Ranſom Money be paid. And therefore the Petitioner prayed to be qualified to ſend a Veſſel with a Flag of Truce, to *Port-au-Paix* aforeſaid, in order to redeem the ſaid Hoſtage.

And due Enquiry being made into the ſubject Matter of the ſaid Petition, *It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the aforeſaid *Joſeph Wanton*, therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided Nevertheleſs*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, That the Veſſel to be ſent, ſhall be, and hereby is laid under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with other Veſſels going from this Colony, with a Flag of Truce, unto any Part of the Dominions of the *French* King.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Tweedy* of *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Sloop *Lydia*, *John Elſbre* Maſter, whereof the Petitioner was Owner, was taken on her Paſſage from *Teneriffe* to *Newport*, by a *French* Letter of Marque Sloop, called the *Syren*, commanded by *Martin Sigalla*, bound from *Martinique* to *Bourdeaux*. That the ſaid *John Elſbre*, ranſomed the ſaid Veſſel and Cargo for Three Thouſand Pieces of Eight, and for the Payment thereof, pledged the Body of *Benjamin Sanford*, his Mate, as an Hoſtage, who, by Agreement, is to be returned to *Martinique*, and there remain until the ſaid Ranſom Money be paid: And therefore he the ſaid *John Tweedy* prayed, that he might be qualified to ſend a Flag of Truce to *Martinique*, in order to redeem the ſaid *Benjamin Sanford*, and reſtore him to his Wife and Children.

And

And due Enquiry being made into the ſubject Matter of the Petition aforeſaid, *It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *John Tweedy* therein made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided Nevertheleſs*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, That the Veſſel to be ſent, ſhall be and hereby is put under the ſame Regulations and Reſtrictions with other Veſſels going from this Colony with a Flag of Truce unto any Part of the Dominions of the *French* King.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame, to each Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the Second Monday of *October* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on Monday, *the Twenty-firſt Day of* September, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs

OCTOBER, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Second Monday in *October*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Firſt of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

Aſſiſtants:
JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;

Aſſiſtants:
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH Eſq;

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
The Speaker,
Col. *Job Bennet.*
Col. *Joſeph Wanton,*
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault,* jun.
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Samuel Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney,*
Mr. *George Jackſon.*

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel.*

WARWICK:
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice.*

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman,*
Col. *Nathan Babcock.*

NEW-

NEW-SHOREHAM ;
None.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Thomas Carr*,
William Haſzard, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Mr. *William Weſt*.
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Timothy Wilmarth, Eſq;
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt. Eſq;
COVENTRY ;
Col. *Stephen Potter*.
EXETER ;
Mr. *John Chapman*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL ;
Capt. *Simeon Potter*,
Mr. *William Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownel*.
WARREN ;
John Kinnicut, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND ;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Major *Richard Bailey*.
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*.
CRANSTON ;
Capt. *Richard Searle*,
Capt. *Matthew Mancheſter*
HOPKINTON ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower-Houſe.

WHEREAS his Excellency General *Amherſt*, by his Letter of the 15th of *June* to this Colony, requeſted that a Company conſiſting of Sixty-four Men, including two Officers, now in the Service of this Colony, may be retained therein, until the firſt Day of *July* next.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That a Company conſiſting of Sixty-four Men, including Two Officers, of the Regiment now in the Service of this Colony, at Fort *Stanwix*, be retained there until the firſt Day of *July* next.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Soldier who ſhall inliſt into the ſaid Company, ſhall be entituled to the ſame Wages as is now allowed him, and ſhall alſo receive as a Gratuity over and above his Wages, the Sum of Ten Dollars, one Half whereof to be paid him in the Colony's Cloathing now in the Camp, and the other Half in Caſh.

And

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Col. *John Whiting*, be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to inliſt the ſaid Company. And that if he ſhall not be able to fill the ſaid Company, by Inliſtment, ſo many as ſhall be wanting, ſhall be draughted out of the Regiment by Lot, and ſhall remain in the Service, until the Colony can releaſe them, by placing others in their Room.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Col. *Whiting*, be, and he is hereby appointed to command the ſaid Company: And that if he ſhall decline accepting the Command of the ſaid Company, he ſhall appoint the next commanding Officer in the ſaid Regiment, who will accept thereof. And that the ſaid *John Whiting* appoint the other Officer of the ſaid Company, out of the firſt or Second Lieutenants or Enſigns in the Regiment, giving the Preference to the Officer of the higheſt Rank.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Commanding Officer of the ſaid Company, ſhall be entitled to the ſame Wages as are now allowed to a Captain in the Service of this Colony, and the other Officer the ſame Wages as are now allowed to a Firſt Lieutenant

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the remaining Part of the Regiment ſhall be tranſported by Water from *Albany*: And that the Committee of War immediately procure proper Veſſels for that Purpoſe: And that if any Perſon belonging to the Regiment, ſhall come Home by Land, it ſhall be at his own Expence.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all Deſerters from the ſaid Regiment, who ſhall deliver themſelves up to any one or more of the Committee of War, on or before the Twenty-fourth Inſtant, and ſhall return to their Duty at Fort *Stanwix*, and continue in the Service until the Firſt Day of *July* next, ſhall be forgiven, and ſhall receive Wages from the Time of their delivering themſelves up until they ſhall be diſcharged: And that all Deſerters who do not deliver themſelves up as aforeſaid, by ſaid Time, ſhall be proſecuted according to Law, with the utmoſt Severity.

And, That the Committee of War, for each reſpective County, take Care that this Part of the Act, reſpecting Deſerters, be carried into Execution.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War employ a ſuitable Perſon, upon the beſt Terms they can, to carry a Copy of this Act to Col. *Whiting* at the Camp.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Othniel Gorton*, and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. and the Secretary, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to draw an Anſwer to the Queries ſent to this Colony, by the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, and lay the ſame before the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Major *Jonathan Otis*, and Mr. *Robert Stevens*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the MARKET and GRANARY Lottery in *Newport*, in the Room of *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; who declines acting as a Director any farther than in the Fourth Claſs, and in the Room of *Peter Bours*, Eſq; deceaſed: That the ſaid *Jonathan Otis* and *Robert Stevens*, begin with the Fifth Claſs, and give Bond in the ſame Manner as the other Directors have done: And that Mr. *John Bours*, be, and he is hereby appointed a Director of the ſaid Lottery, in the Room of his Father, the ſaid *Peter Bours*, for finiſhing the Fourth Claſs, and that he account for the ſame, and alſo for the Tranſactions of his ſaid Father, in the former Claſſes.

WHEREAS Mr. *James Franklin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Acts of Aſſembly paſſed at *May* Seſſion, at the Two Seſſions in *June*, and at *September* Seſſion, for printing the Liſts for taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Colony, and for furniſhing Paper for the ſaid Buſineſs. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Rhodes*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in carrying the Bill for taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Colony, to the ſeveral Counties, being ſent Expreſs. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings, the Balance thereof be paid the ſaid *Samuel Rhodes*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Paper furniſhed the Secretary for printing the Acts of the General Aſſembly. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighteen Pounds Fifteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Benjamin Greene*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Robert Stevens*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for furniſhing Five Quires of Demy Paper to the Secretary, to make a Book to regiſter the Acts of the Governor and Council. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and That Sixteen Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Robert Stevens*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Francis Skinner*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for binding a Book of Record. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Francis Skinner*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Samuel Chace* and *Solomon Drown*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Nicholas Cooke*, Eſq; Meſſrs. *John Brown*, *Knight Dexter*, *Joſeph Bennet*, *Joſeph Bucklin*, and *George Jackſon*, late Directors of the *Providence* Street Lottery, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſq; and Mr. *Walter Cranſton*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Capt. *William Mumford*, in Reſpect to the Grants made by the Colony, for carrying on the Building of Fort *George*, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Stevens*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for Locks and Nails ſupplied for the Colony-Houſe and Gaol in the County of *Newport*, and ſo forth. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-ſix Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Stevens*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Johnſton*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That there is no Meeting-Houſe in the ſaid Town: That Mr. *Daniel Manton* will give an Acre of Land near *Benjamin Belknap's*, whereon to ſet a Meeting-Houſe: That the Circumſtances of ſaid Town are low: And therefore the Petitioners prayed that a Lottery might be granted them, to raiſe a Sum of Money ſufficient to build a Meeting-Houſe for Public Worſhip, free for the BAPTIST SOCIETY of the *Ancient Order*, in the ſaid Place, of the Dimenſions of Forty Feet long and Thirty Feet wide.

And the following Scheme being preſented with the ſaid Petition to wit:

SCHEME of a Lottery for raiſing the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds Old-Tenor, to be applied to the Building a Meeting-Houſe in the Town of *Johnſton*, conſiſting of Two Claſſes, in the following Manner, to wit:

The Firſt Claſs to contain 3334 Tickets, at £. 9 Old-Tenor each, whereof 982 to be Prizes (ſubject to no Deduction) of the following Value, to wit:

1	of	£. 1000	is	£. 1000
5		500		2500
6		300		1800
10		180		1800
10		100		1000
40		60		2400
917		18		16506
989 Prizes,			amounting to £.	27006
2345 Blanks.			For the Meeting-Houſe,	3000
3334 Tickets, at £. 9 each, - - - - - - - - -				£ 30006

And

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the Petitioners be, and the ſame is hereby granted, and the Scheme, with the ſaid Petition preſented, approved: And That *Henry Harris* and *John Waterman*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Daniel Eddy*, *Benjamin Belknap*, and *Gideon Waterman*, be, and they are hereby conſtituted Directors of the ſaid Lottery: That they give ſufficient Bond for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them: And that the ſaid Directors perform the ſaid Buſineſs without any Allowance for their Trouble.

Whereas Capt. *Jabez Champlin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony: And the Lower Houſe having appointed a Committee to examine the ſame, who made the following Report, to wit:

Newport, 16*th October*, A. D. 1761.

We the Subſcribers being appointed to examine the Account of Mr. *Jabez Champlin*, charged againſt the Colony, for cleanſing Arms and Bayonets, and making Rods for ſaid Arms, do report, that we have viewed ſaid Arms and Rods, and examined ſaid *Champlin*, relating the Buſineſs performed, and we think the Sum of Four Hundred Ninety-one Pounds and Sixteen Shillings of ſaid Account be allowed, and no more.

Joſhua Clarke,
Benjamin Greene, } Committee.

It is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that Four Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds Sixteen Shillings, be paid the ſaid *Jabez Champlin*, out of the General Treaſury, in full of his Account againſt the Colony.

Whereas the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion on the Third Monday of March, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty, made and paſſed an Act for granting an Exciſe upon Wines and Spirituous Liquors, ſold by Retail in the Town of *Newport*, to continue for Five Years, which expired in *March*, A. D. 1756: After which ſaid Act was revived and continued for Five Years longer, which Term is alſo expired. *Be it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the ſaid Act be, and the ſame is again hereby revived, and ſhall continue and be in Force for and during the Term of Five Years more, from the laſt Expiration thereof.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Exciſe upon each Gallon of Wine, and other ſpirituous Liquors be, and the ſame is hereby augmented to Three Shillings per Gallon. *Provided nevertheleſs*, That Currant Wine ſhall be exempted from paying any Exciſe.

And whereas the Town-Council of *Middletown*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the extending the ſaid Act to the ſaid Town would be very advantageous, and thereupon prayed that the General Aſſembly would grant an Exciſe upon all Brandy, Rum, and other Spirits diſtilled, and upon all Wines unto the ſaid Town of *Middletown*, under the ſame Regulations as the ſame is granted to the Town of *Newport*.

BE

BE it therefore farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Exciſe Act, extend to, and be in Force in the Town of *Middletown*, as fully in every Reſpect as the ſame is in Force in the Town of *Newport*.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Windows of the Goal in the County of *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twelve Pounds Seventeen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Blankets provided for the Priſoners, and the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-eight Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Bours*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby choſen and appointed, one of the Committee of War, for the remaining Part of the Year, in the Room of his Father, *Peter Bours*, Eſq; deceaſed.

An ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Nine Thouſand Pounds Sterling, being part of the Money granted by His Majeſty, to this Colony.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer have full Power and Authority, and he is hereby directed to ſell and diſpoſe of Four Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, being Part of the Sum of Four Thouſand Six Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Sterling; now in the Hands of *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; Agent for this Colony, in *Great-Britain*, and draw Bills of Exchange on him, payable at Ten Days Sight, in Favor of any Perſon who ſhall purchaſe the ſame by bringing into the General Treaſury, by the Twentieth Day of *November* next, ſuch Lawful Money Bills of this Colony, as was emitted in the Month of *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if a ſufficient Sum of ſaid *June* Lawful Money, be not brought into the Treaſury by the ſaid Twentieth Day of *November*, to purchaſe the whole of the ſaid Four Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, the General Treaſurer is hereby directed to ſell the Remainder of the ſaid Sum for Silver and Gold, and draw Bills therefor, in the ſame Manner as for the ſaid *June* Lawful Money. And the Silver and Gold by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming the remainder of the ſaid *June* Lawful Money Bills, which ſhall carry Intereſt no longer than 'till the ſaid Twentieth Day of *November*.

And

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer ſhall alſo ſell and diſpoſe of the Sum of Four Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, with the Intereſt thereof, being Part of the Sum of Four Thouſand Six Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds Sterling, which the Agent hath Security for, payable at a future Time, and draw Bills for the ſame, at Sixty Days Sight, in Favor of ſuch Perſons as ſhall bring into the General Treaſury by the Thirtieth Day of *November* next, Lawful Money Bills of Public Credit, emitted by this Colony, in *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, as far as the ſaid Sterling Money ſhall amount to.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if a ſufficient Sum of ſaid *May* Lawful Money Bills of Credit, ſhall not be brought into the Treaſury, by the ſaid Thirtieth Day of *November* next, to purchaſe the whole of the ſaid laſt mentioned Sum of Sterling Money, the General Treaſurer is hereby directed to ſell the Remainder of ſaid Sum for Silver and Gold, and draw Bills for the ſame, in the ſame Manner as for the ſaid *May* Lawful Money. And the Silver and Gold ſo received into the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming the ſaid *May* Lawful Money, as far as the ſame will go.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money, at the following Rate of Exchange, to wit: For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred and Five Pounds Sterling, and in the ſame Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver mill'd Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Silver and Gold procured by the Sale of the firſt mentioned Sum of Sterling Money, that ſhall remain in the Treaſury, after all the aforeſaid *June* Lawful Money Bills ſhall be redeemed, ſhall be appropriated towards redeeming the Remainder of the aforeſaid *May* Lawful Money Bills of Credit.

WHEREAS there are ſeveral Sums of Money due from the Crown to this Colony, for Billeting the Troops, and ſo forth: *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to apply to His Excellency General *Amherſt*, for all the Money due to the Colony as aforeſaid, and furniſh him with all ſuch Rolls and Papers as may be neceſſary in Order to procure the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Lippit* and *Philip Greene*, Eſqrs. Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, *John Wheaton*, and *Daniel Howland*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee appointed to build the Colony-Houſe in *Providence*, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

An ACT for apportioning unto and upon the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, the Rate or Tax lately ordered to be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of ſaid Colony.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion began and held at Providence, *within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on* Monday, *the Thirteenth Day of* March *laſt, made and paſſed an Act, that a Rate or Tax of Sixteen Thouſand Pounds, in Bills of Credit, emitted by this Government, called Lawful Money, ſhould be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, and collected and paid into the General Treaſury, on or before the laſt Day of* November *next, for paying off the Government's Troops, upon their Return at the End of the preſent Campaign, and for diſcharging ſuch Bonds as were given by the General Treaſurer, for the Money he hired, to ſupply the Treaſury, for paying the Bounty, Billeting, and ſo forth, of the Troops raiſed by this Colony for the ſaid Campaign.* AND WHEREAS, *the Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their laſt Seſſion, to receive the Eſtimates then returned, of the Rateable Eſtates of the ſeveral Towns, and to examine, compare, and put them upon the ſame Footing, and form one general Eſtimate from the whole, have not been able to complete the ſame.* AND WHEREAS, *it is abſolutely neceſſary, that the above-mentioned Rate or Tax, ſhould be immediately aſſeſſed and levied for the Purpoſes aforeſaid.*

BE IT ENACTED by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, ſhall be, and hereby is apportioned unto and upon the ſeveral Towns, at the ſame Rate and Proportion as the laſt Colony Rate, that is to ſay

The Town of *Newport,*		The Town of *Weſterly,*	
ſhall pay	£. 3200 0 0	ſhall pay	£. 403 0 0
Portſmouth,	719 0 0	*North-Kingstown,*	725 0 0
New-Shoreham,	339 0 0	*South-Kingstown,*	1169 0 0
Jameſtown,	360 0 0	*Charleſtown,*	279 0 0
Middletown,	492 0 0	*Exeter,*	355 0 0
Tiverton,	529 0 0	*Richmond,*	243 0 0
Little-Compton,	521 0 0	*Hopkinton,*	332 0 0
	£. 6160 0 0		£. 3506 0 0
		Briſtol,	£. 424 0
		Warren,	391 0
			£. 815 0 0
Providence,	£. 972 0 0	*Warwick,*	£. 740 0 0
Smithfield,	923 0 0	*Eaſt-Greenwich,*	413 0 0
Scituate,	410 0 0	*Weſt-Greenwich,*	263 0 0
Glouceſter,	407 0 0	*Coventry,*	263 0 0
Cumberland,	266 0 0		
Cranſton,	620 0 0		£. 1679 0 0
Johnſton,	242 0 0		
	£. 3840 0 0		

AND

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of each reſpective Town, ſhall aſſeſs and apportion the Rate or Tax aforeſaid, unto and upon the Inhabitants thereof, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame, unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within Twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that the Town Clerk ſend a Copy thereof, in Three Days after he ſhall receive the ſame, unto the General Treaſurer, who is hereby directed and required to iſſue his Warrants, within Three Days after he has received the ſaid Bill or Liſt, unto the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes, in each reſpective Town.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in this Colony, be, and they are hereby directed to collect one Half of the above-mentioned Rate or Tax, in Bills of Credit of the Old-Tenor, at the Rate of Eighteen and a Third for One, and the other Half in Lawful Money, reckoning Intereſt thereon, until the Thirtieth Day of *November* next; at which Time the ſaid Rate or Tax is to be paid into the General Treaſury.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby fully empowered and directed to iſſue a Warrant of Diſtreſs againſt the Eſtate of every Collector that ſhall neglect to pay into the General Treaſury, the Proportion of the ſaid Rate or Tax which ſhall be committed unto him to collect, by the ſaid Thirtieth Day of *November*; and for Want of ſufficient Eſtate, to commit the Body of ſuch delinquent Collector to Gaol.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer ſhall be accountable for the Intereſt of the Lawful Money, which he ſhall receive of the aforeſaid Rate, from the ſaid Thirtieth Day of *November*, until he ſhall apply the ſame in diſcharging the Bonds given for the Lawful Money hired by the Colony.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That when the juſt and equitable Proportion of the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, of a Rate or Tax, ſhall be diſcovered, ſettled, and agreed upon, by the General Aſſembly, either by Means of the Eſtimates returned from the ſeveral Towns, now lying before this Aſſembly, or any otherwiſe, if it ſhall appear that the preſent Rate is not apportioned agreeable thereto; that then, and in that Caſe, the Towns which do not in the preſent Rate, pay their full Proportion, ſhall reimburſe the Towns, which by this Act, are overrated.

AND be it farther Enacted, That the Gentlemen, who at the laſt Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, were appointed to receive the Eſtimates returned from the ſeveral Towns, and ſo forth, be continued a Committee for the Purpoſes for which they were appointed: And they are hereby deſired to complete the ſaid Buſineſs, and make Report to the General Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby directed to publiſh this Act, and ſend a Copy of the ſame, unto every Town Clerk in the Colony, immediately.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to diſſent from the above Vote for proportioning the Tax to the ſeveral Counties and Towns in this Colony, agreeable to the Proportion of the laſt Tax levied on the Inhabitants therein, for the following Reaſon.

For that there hath been great and grievous Complaints from ſundry Towns by their Repreſentatives to the General Aſſembly, of their being greatly oppreſſed and overtaxed by ſaid Proportion, which induced the General Aſſembly to order an Eſtimation to be taken of the Rateable Eſtates throughout the Colony, in Order that a juſt and true Proportion might be had, which now lyeth before us, and think we ought in Juſtice to our Conſtituents, to ſtrictly purſue until complete, and then ſtrictly adhere to them, in the Proportion of the above Tax, to the ſeveral Counties and Towns throughout the Colony.

Giles Peirce,
Benjamin Greene,
William Hall (Son of *John*)
William Hall,
Thomas Anthony,
Thomas Brownel,
William Hazard.

WE the Subſcribers diſſent from the Vote of the Lower Houſe, for ſetting the Tax according to the old Proportion for the following Reaſons:

Firſt. Becauſe we look upon the old Proportion to be unequal and unjuſt.

Secondly. Becauſe the Inhabitants of the Colony have been put to a great Expence in Order to get an Eſtimate, and we look upon it to be very wrong to tax the Inhabitants without having Regard to the Eſtimate in proportioning the ſame.

James Barker, jun
John Shearman, jun.
George Brownel.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Robert Potter*, *Joſhua Clarke*, and *Joſeph Crandal*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *Henry Babocck*, with the Colony: That they call upon his Father, *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; for the ſaid Accounts: And receive of the ſaid *Joſhua Babcock*, all ſuch Rolls and other Papers belonging to the Colony, which were in the Hands of the ſaid *Henry Babcock*, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Francis Willet*, *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Peckham*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq; as one of the Committee of War, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and ſend a Copy of the ſame, within Thirty Days, unto each Town in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of this Inſtant *October*, if called at that Time

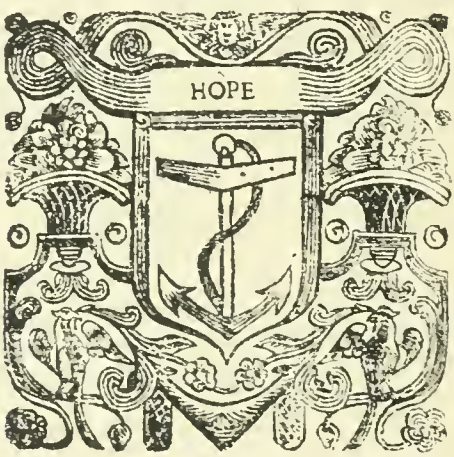
Time, by either of their Honors, the Governor or Deputy Governor. But if not called before or at the ſaid Time, that then this Aſſembly be diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Twenty-ſixth Day of October, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD. *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry.*



OCTOBER, 1761.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq; JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq; FRANCIS WILLET, Eſq;	Aſſiſt.	HENRY GARDNER, Eſq; THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq; The SECRETARY.	Aſſiſt.

DEPUTIES of the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq;
Col. *Job Bennet*.
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Thomas Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel*.

WARWICK;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Col. *James Arnold*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock*.

NEW-

NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Mr. *Edmund Sheffield*,
Mr. *Joſeph Spencer*.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN ;
William Haſzard, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Charles Harris, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Capt. *William Dean*, jun.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie*,
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Abel Potter*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Potter*.
EXETER ,
Mr. *John Chapman*.
Mr. *Jeoffry Wilcox*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*.
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
None.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Capt. *Thomas Cole*.
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Wilkinſon*.
RICHMOND ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON ;
Capt. *Richard Searle*,
HOPKINTON ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
John Maxſon, Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
John Waterman, Eſq;
Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; was choſen Speaker: And JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *Thomas Weſtcot*, of *Cranſton*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That almoſt Twenty Years ago, he purchaſed of Col. *William Hopkins*, a Farm lying in *Cranſton* aforeſaid, which was mortaged to the Colony by ſaid *Hopkins*, for Two Sums of Money, by Two Deeds in his own Name: That ſome Time after, he was informed by *Jonathan Randal*, Eſq; that he muſt either give Bond in his own Name, to pay the Money for which the ſaid Farm was mortgaged, at Ten different Payments, or otherwiſe he would be obliged to pay the whole immediately: Whereupon he ſigned Two Mortgage Deeds, one for One Hundred and Seventy-ſix Pounds, the other for Ninety-three Pounds, with Tenth Bonds to each Mortgage, and delivered the ſame to the ſaid *Randal*, to exchange for the Deeds above-mentioned: That ſome Time after, he was informed by *George Brown*, Eſq; that Two Mortgage Deeds in Col. *Hopkins's* Name, were ſent him to put be in Suit: That upon Inquiry, he found them to be the ſame which he

he had given his own Obligation to diſcharge; and thence concluded that his Deeds and Bonds had not been received into the Grand Committee's Office, and being liable to be ſued out of the Poſſeſſion of the Farm, he paid the ſaid *Brown* Two Hundred and Sixty-nine Pounds, in full Diſcharge of ſaid Deeds, which he is ready to produce. That he hath ſince diſcovered that the ſaid *Jonathan Randal* did deliver the Two Mortgage Deeds and Sets of Bonds, into the Grand-Committee's Office, and omitted procuring the Diſcharge of the former Deeds. And thereupon the ſaid *Thomas Weſtcot* prayed this Aſſembly to order all the Deeds and Bonds that lye againſt him, being obtained in the Manner in his Petition related, to be diſcharged.

And the ſaid Petition being conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Jonathan Randal*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby appointed, to enquire into the Circumſtances of the Affair ſet forth in the ſaid Petition, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS by Reaſon of ſeveral Lotteries being carried on in this Colony at this Time, the Directors of the MARKET and GRANARY Lottery, have met with great Difficulty in diſpoſing of the Tickets for the Fourth Claſs, and have not been able as yet to fill the ſame.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Directors of the MARKET and GRANARY Lottery, in *Newport*, be, and they are hereby empowered to appoint a Time for the Drawing of the Fourth Claſs of the ſaid Lottery, and if any Tickets ſhall remain unſold, when the Drawing begins, they may reſerve the ſame on the Account of the Building: And if the Tickets ſo reſerved, ſhall draw a larger Sum than they amounted to, the Surpluſſage ſhall be appropriated for the Uſe of the Building, and if leſs, the Ballance ſhall be paid out of the Money already raiſed by the ſaid Lottery, for the ſaid Building: And that the Directors of the ſaid Lottery, be, and they are hereby empowered to purſue the ſame Method in any future Claſſes of the ſaid Lottery, if they ſhall think fit.

AND WHEREAS the ſaid Directors have Liberty of drawing but one Claſs more of ſaid Lottery, which it is apprehended will not raiſe Money enough to finiſh ſaid Building, *Be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſaid Directors be, and they are hereby empowered to add ſo many Claſſes to ſaid Lottery, as will raiſe a ſufficient Sum of Money to compleat the Building for which the ſaid Lottery was granted.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Brown* (Son of *Eliſha*, of *Providence*) exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Expences, and Horſe-hire, in carrying the Rate-Bill to the ſeveral Towns in the County of *Providence*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifteen Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Brown*, out of the General Treaſury

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathan Burdick*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Expences, and Horſe-hire, in going to *Newport*, by Order of Aſſembly, to bring over the Eſtimates returned from the ſeveral Towns. And the ſaid Account

count being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and That Ten Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathan Burdick*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which was to have been held at *South-Kingstown*, within and for the County of *Kings-County*, by Adjournment, on Monday the Twenty-ſixth Day of this Inſtant *October*, fell through, by Reaſon, that the Violence of the Weather prevented a ſufficient Number of Judges from meeting, and thence a great Failure of Juſtice is likely to enſue, unleſs a fit Remedy be provided for the ſame:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the ſaid Court be, and the ſame is hereby revived; that the Judges of ſaid Court meet on Tueſday the Tenth Day of *November* next: That all Buſineſs lying or pending before ſaid Court, at the Time the ſame fell through as aforeſaid, ſhall be done and tranſacted at the Court to be held as aforeſaid: And that the ſame ſhall be as good, binding, and effectual, to every Intent and Purpoſe, as if the ſaid Court which fell through, had been actually held, and the Buſineſs then and there done, tranſacted, and effected.

AND be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Sheriff of the County of *Kings-County*, give Notice to the Jurors, of the Revival of the ſaid Court, by putting up Advertiſements in ſeveral proper Places.

WHEREAS *John Dexter*, Eſq; of *Cumberland*, and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That a great Number of Fiſh of ſeveral Kinds, come into the River called *Seaconck* River, as far as the Falls, well known by the Name of *Pawtucket* Falls; by which their Paſſage further up the River, is obſtructed, and thereby the Country above deprived of conſiderable Advantages that would ariſe from the Fiſh paſſing the ſaid Falls, there being nothing above them to prevent their Paſſage to the Head of the ſaid River, which extends in one of its Branches, almoſt One Hundred Miles back into the Country. That ſome Trials having been lately made to break down the ſaid Falls, it is thought by a Number of Gentlemen of Knowledge, that a Paſſage may be made at the Expence of One Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, ſo that Fiſh of almoſt every Kind, who chooſe freſh Water at certain Seaſons of the Year, may paſs with Eaſe. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed that a Lottery may be ſet forth, to raiſe the Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds Old Tenor, to be appropriated for effecting the Purpoſes aforeſaid.

And the ſaid Petition being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted: That Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*, *John Dexter*, Eſq; Capt. *David Whipple*, Mr. *Daniel Mowrey*, and Capt. *Stephen Jenckes*, be, and they are hereby empowered to form a proper Scheme of a Lottery, and appointed Directors thereof: That they give Bond for the faithful Performance of their Duty, in the uſual Manner, appropriate the Money ſo raiſed for the Purpoſe in the ſaid

Petition

Petition mentioned, and render an Account of their Doings to the General Aſſembly: And that the ſaid Directors ſhall have nothing for their Trouble. *And be it farther Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if the ſaid Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds, ſhall be more than ſufficient to make a Paſſage as aforeſaid, the Surpluſſage ſhall be appropriated to the Maintaining *Pawtucket* Bridge.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That for the future, the Ferriages between *Newport* and *Jameſtown*, and betwen *Jameſtown* and *North* and *South-Kingſtown*, ſhall be at the following Rates in Old Tenor, to wit:

	£.		
For every Footman,	0	6	0
For every ſingle Perſon who ſhall put the Boat off,	0	12	0
For a Man and Horſe,	0	12	0
For a Driſt Horſe,	0	12	0
For a Neat Beaſt,	0	14	0
For every Calf,	0	3	0
For every Hog,	0	3	0
For every Sheep,	0	3	0
For every Lamb,	0	2	0
For a Horſe and Chair, or Chaiſe, with the Perſons in it,	2	0	0

WHEREAS *Ebenezer Tefft*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance on the General Aſſembly, at the preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fourteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Tefft*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Robert Potter*, *Joſhua Clarke*, and *Joſeph Crandal*, Eſqrs. were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *Henry Babcock*, with the Colony, and were directed to call upon his Father, *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; for the ſaid Accounts, and alſo to receive of him all ſuch Rolls, and other Papers, belonging to the Colony, which were in the Hands of the ſaid *Henry Babcock*, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, at this Seſſion. And the ſaid Committee not having been able to complete the ſaid Buſineſs, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame Gentlemen be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee for the Purpoſes aforeſaid: And that they make Report to the General Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS *John Dexter*, Eſq; of *Cumberland*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That one *Daniel Coller*, of *Cumberland*, a Soldier in Capt. *Samuel Angel's* Company, in the Expedition againſt *Crown-Point*, in the Year 1755, continued at Fort *Edward*, over the Winter, in the Company commanded by Capt *Whiting*, and in *May* following, was taken Captive by a Party of *French* and *Indians*, and hath never been heard of ſince. And as the ſaid *Coller* is ſuppoſed to be dead, the Petitioner is appointed Adminiſtrator of his Perſonal Eſtate. And thereupon the ſaid *John Dexter* prayed this Aſſembly to direct the Committee

Committee of War to pay to him what he can make appear was due from the Colony to the ſaid *Coller*.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed at laſt *September* Seſſion of Aſſembly, to liquidate the Eſtimates from the ſevera Towns be, and they are hereby continued a Committee for that Purpoſe, and that they make Report to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS the Deputies of the Town of *Providence*, by Order of the ſaid Town, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Night after the Twenty-fourth Inſtant, there was a hard Gale of Wind, which brought the higheſt Tide into the Harbor of *Providence*, that hath been known in the Memory of Man, and carried away the great Bridge in the ſaid Town, known by the Name of *Weyboſſet Bridge*, beat down Part of the Buttments and Pillars thereof, and carried away all the Materials of Wood: That the ſaid Bridge hath been built from Time to Time, at the Expence of the Colony, excepting the laſt Time, when it was rebuilt by Money, raiſed by a Lottery: And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Sum of Money, ſufficient to rebuild the ſaid Bridge, and appoint ſome proper Perſon or Perſons to receive the ſaid Money, and apply the ſame in rebuilding the ſaid Bridge.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That One Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, to be applied towards rebuilding *Weyboſſet Bridge*, to ſuch Perſons as ſhall be appointed by the Town of *Providence*.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to proteſt againſt the above Vote for granting the above Sum of Money out of the General Treaſury, for the Rebuilding *Weyboſſet Bridge*, in the Town of *Providence*, at this Time, by Reaſon there being but Thirty-five Members now preſent, and Fourteen of that Number belonging to the County of *Providence*; we think they have a great Advantage of voting Money to their own County.

Benjamin Greene, *James Barker*,
Giles Peirce, *George Brownell*,
Jeffery Willcox, *Joſeph Spencer*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Eſtimates now lying before this Aſſembly, be delivered to Col. *Stephen Potter*: And that the Committee appointed to liquidate the ſame, meet for that Purpoſe at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, on the Thurſday before the Meeting of the General Aſſembly at that Place.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing

Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty Days, ſend Copies of the ſame, to each Town Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *February* next, then to meet at *Laſt-Greenwich*.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on Monday the Ninth Day of November, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

FEBRUARY, 1762.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Monday in *February*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;	
JABEZ BOWEN, Eſq;		HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;	
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;		THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Col. *Job Bennet*,
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Samuel Chace, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Olney*,
Mr. *George Jackſon*.

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Col. *James Arnold*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock*.

NEW-SHOREHAM
Mr. *Edmund Sheffield*,
Mr. *Joſeph Spencer*.

NORTH-

NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN ;
William Haſzard, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*,
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *William Dean*, jun.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie*,
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Abel Potter*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Col. *Stephen Potter*.
EXETER ;
Mr. *Jeoffry Wilcox*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq,
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Capt. *Thomas Cole*,
James Brown, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Wilkinſon*.
RICHMOND ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON ;
Capt. *Richard Searle*,
Capt. *Matthew Mancheſter*.
HOPKINTON ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
John Maxſon, Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
John Waterman, Eſq;
Lt. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Downer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for copying ſeveral Letters from his Honor the Governor, writing Warrants to call the Aſſembly, and making out Billeting Rolls of the Year 1757. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-four Pounds Nine Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Gentlemen, whoſe Names hereafter follow, be, and they are hereby appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War for the laſt Year, to wit: Col. *Job Bennet*, and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, the Accounts of *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; *Peter Bours*, Eſq; deceaſed, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs. *Nicholas Cooke*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *John Jenckes* and *George Jackſon*, the Accounts of *Eliſha Brown*, and *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſqrs. *Francis Willet*, *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Peckham*, Eſqrs. the Accounts of *Robert Potter* and *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſqrs. *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Rufus Greene*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Samuel Fry*, the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; Mr.

Mr. *Thomas Throop*, Capt. *Daniel Bradford*, and *Thomas Greene*, Eſqrs. the Accounts of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; and that the major Part of each Committee be empowered to perform the ſaid Buſineſs.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Peter Harriſon*, *Silas Cooke*, *Walter Cranſton*, and *Iſrael Wilkinſon*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to inſpect the Lanthorn of the Light-Houſe, and if they ſhall think an Alteration thereof neceſſary, they are hereby empowered to procure the ſame to be done immediately; and that they lay an Account of the Expence thereof, before the General Aſſembly, at their next Seſſion; which ſhall be paid out of the Light-Houſe Money.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Col. *Job Bennet*, Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby conſtituted a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the late, and preſent Naval Officer; and that they make Report to the General Aſſembly, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; Col. *Job Bennet*, and Meſſrs. *Nathaniel Mumford*, and *Walter Cranſton* be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby conſtituted a Committee to receive of the General Treaſurer, the Lawful Money he hath received for Bills of Exchange ſold by him, in Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly, made and paſſed in *October* laſt: That the ſaid Committee burn the ſame, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the late, and preſent Committee of War be, and they are hereby directed to make out a true Liſt, duly atteſted, of all the Soldiers that have been billeted by this Colony, ſince the laſt Rolls were compleated, with the Sums paid by the Colony ſet againſt their Names; and return the ſame to his Honor the Governor, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to cauſe fair Copies thereof to be made, and ſend them with the Billeting Rolls for the Year 1757, to His Excellency General *Amherſt*, in Order for Payment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Jenckes* and *John Jepſon*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Richardſon*, be, and they, or the major part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit, and ſettle the Accounts of the Committee appointed to diſpoſe of the Colony Veſſel, and that they make Report to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS *George Brown*, Eſq; of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1758, he was ſued on the Colony's Account, by *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; the then General Treaſurer; which Suit was left to Auditors, by the Court then appointed, to wit: The Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *Darius Seſſions*: That he had no Knowledge of the particular Day on which the ſaid Auditors met, and was not preſent at the Settlement, neither had they any Papers or Accounts from him, but ſettled the ſaid Affair altogether by the General Treaſurer's Accounts: That he is able to make it appear, That there was a conſiderable Miſtake made in the Settlement of the ſaid Account: And thereupon, he prayed this General Aſſembly to appoint the ſame Gentlemen who auditted the ſaid Accounts, or ſuch others as they ſhould think proper a Committee, to re-examine them; and that if any Thing ſhould be found due to him, he might have an Order for the ſame.

On

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, and Meſſrs. *Nicholas Tillinghaſt* and *Darius Seſſions*, be requeſted, and they, or any Two of them are hereby empowered to enquire into the Facts mentioned in the foregoing Petition, and make Report to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS *James Helme*, Eſq; and others, Inhabitants of the Town of *South-Kingſtown*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Town is obliged to make and maintain Five large Bridges, over large Rivers, Two of which Bridges ſtand on the Public Poſt Road: That by the Providence of God in the late great Storm, and high Tide, the Bridge over *Petaquamſcutt* River was almoſt deſtroyed, and rendered unſafe to paſs over: That the ſaid Bridge is of great Utility, and neceſſary for all Perſons that paſs to, or from the Town *Newport*, thro' the ſaid Town of *South-Kingſtown*: That the General Aſſembly have from Time to Time granted large Sums for building and repairing Bridges of leſs Importance to the Public, than the aforeſaid Bridge. And therefore prayed that a Sum of Money might be allowed out of the General Treaſury, in order to repair the ſaid Bridge.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Three Hundred Pounds be allowed towards repairing the ſaid Bridge: And that Mr. *William Potter* be, and he is hereby empowered to draw that Sum out of the General Treaſury, for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, as the ſame ſhall be wanted.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lockwood*, of *Cranſton*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That his Brother *Abraham*, being a Soldier in His Majeſty's Service, in the Year 1760, took the Small-Pox, of which Diſtemper he broke out after his Return, and lying ſick thereof about Sixteen Days, died: That the Expences that accrued thereon, amounted to £. 575 19 0 Old Tenor, which being examined was allowed by the Town Council of ſaid *Cranſton*: And thereupon the ſaid *Joſeph Lockwood* prayed this Aſſembly, to allow him the ſaid Sum out of the General Treaſury.

AND the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is referred to the Conſideration of the Committee of War in the County of *Providence*; who are hereby empowered to pay the ſaid *Joſeph Lockwood* what ſhall appear to them to be due.

WHEREAS *Gideon Comſtock*, *Job Randal*, *Othniel Gorton*, *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to ſettle the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; formerly Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and alſo to examine the Mortgage Deeds, and Bonds remaining in the ſaid Office, made Report to this Aſſembly, and alſo exhibited their Account for doing the ſaid Buſineſs, as follows, to wit:

WE the Subſcribers being by the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, appointed to examine the Mortgage Deeds, and Bonds remaining in the Grand Committee's Office, do report, That after ſetting up Notifications, and examining the Bonds with the Mortgages, have reconciled by far the greateſt Part of ſaid Mortgages with the Bonds.

Bonds. And being alſo appointed and fully empowered by the Act of ſaid Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *Auguſt*, 1760, to examine, adjuſt, ſettle, and compromiſe with *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; late One of the Truſtees for ſaid Colony, the whole of the Controverſy between him and the Colony aforeſaid, do further report, That we have this Day fully ſettled and determined the Controverſy, and taken his Note of Hand for Two Thouſand Nine Hundred and Ninety-eight Pounds, being the Ballance due to the Colony; and have alſo taken his Diſcharge in full for his Accounts, and have alſo given to him a full Diſcharge under our Hands on the Part of the ſaid Colony, in the following Words. "We "the Subſcribers, being by the General Aſſembly of the Colony of "*Rhode-Iſland*, at their Seſſion in *Auguſt*, 1760, appointed, directed "and empowered, to adjuſt, ſettle, compromiſe, and determine all "the Accounts, Differences, and Diſputes ſubſiſting between the ſaid "Colony and *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; late one of the Truſtees for ſaid "Colony, do acknowledge to have received of the ſaid *Jahleel Brenton*, "his Note of Hand, for Two Thouſand Nine Hundred and Ninety-"eight Pounds Old-Tenor, payable to us for the Uſe of the ſaid Colo-"ny: And by Virtue of the Power and Authority granted to us by "ſaid Aſſembly, do hereby acquit, and fully and abſolutely diſcharge "the ſaid *Jahleel Brenton*, from all Actions, Suits, Dues, and De-"mands of the ſaid Colony againſt him, as one of the Truſtees as "aforeſaid. Witneſs our Hands at *Newport*, this Eleventh Day of "*February*, 1762."

All which is ſubmitted. by,

Newport, Feb. 11, 1762.

GIDEON COMSTOCK,
JOB RANDAL,
OTHNIEL GORTON,
JAMES HELME,
BENJAMIN NICOLS.
} Committee.

Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, - - - Dr.---

To the above Committee for Time Expences, and Horſe-Hire.

To *Job Randal*, for 54 Days Attendance, at £. 8		£. 432	0 0
To *Othniel Gorton*, for 41 Days, at £. 8	£. 328 0 0		
Caſh paid *Jeremiah Lippitt*, Eſq; for Copies, - - -	1 10 0		
		329 10	0
To *James Helme*, for 40 Days, at £. 8	£. 320 0 0		
To *James Franklin*, for printing a Notification, by Direction of the Speaker of the Houſe,	10 0 0		
To *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; for examining the Mortgages,	2 0 0		
		332	0 0
To *Benjamin Nichols*, 31 Days, at £. 8		248	0 0
To *Gideon Comſtock*, 45 Days, at £. 8,	£. 360 0 0		
To procuring 23 Pages of Liſt Books, and Accounts copied,	10 0 0	370	0 0
		£. 1711	10 0

Errors excepted,

Gideon Comſtock,
Job Randal,
Othniel Gorton,
James Helme.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; and that each of the ſaid Committee be allowed Six Pounds per Day, during their Attendance upon the ſaid Buſineſs; and alſo the other Charges contained in the foregoing Account: And, *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office be, and he is hereby directed and empowered, to diſcharge and deliver up all the Mortgage Deeds in his Office, which appear by the Liſt made by the ſaid Committee to have been paid: That the ſaid Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, put in Suit all the Deeds which appear to be due and not paid; and that the Committee who made the ſaid Liſt, or any Three of them, deliver to the ſaid Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, the aforementioned Liſt well atteſted. And, *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Note given to the ſaid Committee, by *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; be depoſited in the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office; that the Money when received be burnt; and that the Diſcharge given by the ſaid *Jahleel Brenton*, be recorded by the Secretary, and lodged in the Office of the General Treaſurer.

A N A C T for raiſing and paying Six Hundred and Sixty-ſix able-bodied effective Men, to be employed in His Majeſty's Service, in *North-America*, in the enſuing Campaign, and for ſupplying the Treaſury with a ſufficient Sum of Money to defray the neceſſary Charges thereof.

WHEREAS, this Aſſembly hath received Advice from the Right Honorable the Earl *of* Egremont, *one of His Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State (by a Letter bearing Date the Twelfth Day of* December *laſt) that his Majeſty hath Nothing ſo much at Heart, as by the moſt vigorous proſecution of the War, to reduce the Enemy to the Neceſſity of accepting a Peace, on Terms of Glory and Advantage to His Majeſty's Crown, and beneficial in particular, to His Majeſty's Subjects in* America: *That it is the King's Pleaſure, in Order the better to provide for the full and entire Security of His Majeſty's Dominions in* North-America, *and particularly the Poſſeſſion of His Majeſty's Conqueſts there, that this Colony do, with all poſſible Diſpatch, raiſe the ſame Number of Men this Year, as they were ordered to raiſe the laſt Year, That is to ſay, Two Thirds of the Number that had been levied for the former Campaigns: That they be held in Readineſs as much earlier than in former Years as may be, to march to ſuch Place or Places in* North-America, *as His Majeſty's Commander in Chief ſhall appoint, in order to be employed there under his Command, in ſuch Manner as he ſhall judge moſt conducive to the King's Service: And this Aſſembly being truly ſenſible of His Majeſty's moſt gracious Intentions, and willing to give all the Aſſiſtance in their Power for effecting ſo important a Deſign,*

Do Enact, and by the Authority of this General Aſſembly, It is Enacted, That Six Hundred and Sixty-ſix able-bodied effective Men, Officers included, be forthwith raiſed in this Colony, to be employed in His Majeſty's Service in *North-America*, in ſuch Manner as His Majeſty's Commander in Chief in *North-America*, ſhall think fit, until the Firſt Day of *November* next, unleſs the Campaign ſhall be ſooner ended:

That

That they be formed into a Regiment, conſiſting of Seven Companies, over which ſhall be appointed a Colonel, a Lt. Colonel, and a Major: That One Captain, Two Lieutenants, and an Enſign, ſhall be appointed to each of the ſaid Companies, excepting Three, which ſhall be under the immediate Command of the Three Field Officers, and have only Two Lieutenants, and One Enſign to each; all of whom ſhall be choſen and appointed by this Aſſembly. *Provided nevertheleſs*, That no Officer ſhall receive his Commiſſion, until he ſhall have inliſted the following Number of Soldiers, to wit: Each Field Officer Twenty-five, each Captain Twenty, each Firſt Lieutenant Fifteen, each Second Lieutenant Twelve, and each Enſign Eight.

AND be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Officers of the ſaid Regiment, ſhall be entitled to, and receive the following Monthly Wages and Allowances, in Bills of Credit of this Colony, called *Lawful Money*, or *Old-Tenor* equivalent thereto, to wit: The Colonel Fifteen Pounds; the Lieutenant Colonel Twelve Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; the Major Ten Pounds Thirteen Shillings; each Captain Eight Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence; the Captain Lieutenant of the Colonel's Company Seven Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; and each other Lieutenant Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence; each Enſign Four Pounds Fourteen Shillings; each Serjeant and Drummer Two Pounds Ten Shillings; and each Corporal Two Pounds Five Shillings. And that Six Shillings be allowed and paid to every Officer, for each able-bodied effective Man he ſhall inliſt.

AND for the better Encouragement of Soldiers to inliſt, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every able-bodied effective Man, who ſhall inliſt into this Service, ſhall be paid Five Pounds *Lawful Money*, or *Old Tenor* equivalent thereto, upon his Inliſtment, as a Bounty, and ſhall receive One good Blanket, and a Knapſack, and ſhall be provided with Billeting, at the Rate of Eight Shillings *Lawful Money* per Week from the Time of his Inliſtment, until he ſhall leave the Colony; and ſhall receive Two Pounds *Lawful Money*, per Month. And further, his Perſon, Eſtate, and Bail (if any he hath) ſhall, during his Continuance in the Sevice, be exempted from all Arreſts and Executions, and he ſhall be releaſed from Confinement for any Debt not exceeding Twenty Pounds *Lawful Money*, or *Old Tenor* equivalent thereto, due to One Perſon.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That each Officer and Soldier ſhall be paid his Billeting Money, until the Time he ſhall receive Orders to leave the Colony, and One Month's Wages only.

AND for ſupplying the Treaſury with a ſufficient Sum of Money to carry this Act into Execution, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, called *Lawful Money* be forthwith emitted, and put into the General Treaſury: And the Committee by this Act appointed to ſign the ſame, are hereby empowered and directed to procure the ſaid Sum of Five Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*, to be printed from Types in the following Form, to wit:

" The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Co-
" lony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty Shillings *Lawful Money*, at the Rate of

" Six

" Six Shillings and Nine Pence for One Ounce of Silver, with Intereſt
" at Five per Cent. per Annum, on or before the Twenty-ſixth Day
" of *February*, 1767. By Order of the General Aſſembly. Dated
" the Twentieth Day of *March*. 1762.

And that Eight ninth Parts of the ſaid Money, be emitted in Bills of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, and Five Shillings, of each One Thouſand Three Hundred and Sixty-eight; and that the other Ninth Part, be emitted in Bills of the Denomination of Two Shillings, One Shilling, Nine Pence, Six Pence, and Three Pence, of each Two Thouſand Four Hundred and Sixty-three; that the Bills of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, and Five Shillings, be ſigned by any Three, and the Bills of the other Denominations, by any Two of the following Perſons, to wit: *John Jepſon*, *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) *Nathaniel Mumford*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, (of *Newport*) and *Elias Thompſon*, who are hereby appointed to ſign the ſaid Bills, and when finiſhed, are directed to lodge them in the General Treaſury: And that the *Lawful Money*, emitted by this Act, ſhall be received by the Officers and Soldiers, in all Payments for Bounties and Wages.

And for the calling in and redeeming the ſaid Bills, *It is further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Seaſon that the whole may be collected and paid into the General Treaſury, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills, with the Intereſt which ſhall be due thereon, before or upon the Twentieth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſeven: That the whole of the ſaid Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence per Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value: And that the Silver and Gold ſo paid into the General Treaſury, be appropriated, and immediately applied to the Redemption of the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall diſcourage any Perſon from inliſting into the Regiment now ordered to be raiſed, and be convicted thereof, before any Juſtice of the Peace in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed, ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine, the Sum of Five Pounds *Lawful Money*, or ſuffer Thirty Days Impriſonment: That whoever ſhall ſecrete, conceal, or carry off any Soldier inliſted as aforeſaid, ſhall ſuffer all the Pains and Penalties to be inflicted on ſuch Offenders, according to the Laws of this Colony, in thoſe Caſes heretofore made and provided. *And further*, That whoever ſhall inliſt, or perſuade or intice any Perſon whatſoever, belonging to this Colony, to inliſt into the Service of any of the neighbouring Governments, or Colony of *New-York*, for the enſuing Campaign, or ſhall be any Ways aiding or aſſiſting therein, and be convicted thereof, before any Court of General Seſſions of the Peace in this Colony, ſhall be fined Twenty Pounds *Lawful Money*: And the Juſtices of the Peace in this Colony are hereby required to apprehend and impriſon, or bind over to the then next Court of General Seſſions of the Peace, in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed, all ſuch Perſons as ſhall be found breaking this Law (His Majeſty's Regular Troops excepted) And that One Half of all the abovementioned Fines be lodged in the General Treaſury,

Treaſury, for the Uſe of the Colony, and the other Half be paid to the Perſon or Perſons, who ſhall inform and ſue for the ſame.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Wages of all Perſons under the Age of Twenty-one Years, who ſhall inliſt into this Service, from the Time of their Inliſtment, until their Diſcharge, ſhall be equally divided between them, and their Parents or Maſters reſpectively. And that ſuch Soldiers ſhall be accountable for whatever they ſhall take up of the Colony, during the Time of their being in the Service

AND that the Officers and Soldiers may be better ſupplied during the Continuance of the enſuing Campaign, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority* aforeſaid, That the Colonel, if preſent, and in his Abſence, the next commanding Officer, be, and he is hereby empowered to contract with any Perſon he ſhall think beſt, upon the moſt advantageous Terms he can, to ſupply the Soldiers, with all ſuch Neceſſaries, as ſhall not be furniſhed by the Colony: That he ſettle the Price of ſaid Goods in the *Lawful Money* of this Colony, and give the Soldiers Notice of the ſame from Time to Time: That the Soldiers be allowed to take up of any Sort of Goods, to the Amount of Fifteen Shillings *Lawful-Money* per Month, while they are in Camp, and no more; and that the ſame ſhall be deducted out of their Wages at their Diſcharge, or the making up the Muſter-Rolls of the Companies, to which they reſpectively belong: That each Captain, if preſent, and in his Abſence, the next Officer in Command, be, and he is hereby required to keep and render at his Return, a particular Account of the Goods ſo received by the Soldiers under his Command, to ſuch of the Committee of War who fitted them out, always taking Care that the Soldiers under his Command have Juſtice done them. And that the Committee of War pay no Wages to ſuch Officer, until he render ſuch Account as aforeſaid.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That each Commiſſion Officer ſhall be accountable for all the Kings Arms and Accoutrements, which ſhall be delivered to the Soldiers under his Command, and that the Value of all the Arms and Accoutrements, which ſhall be wanting at the End of the enſuing Campaign, ſhall be deducted out of the Wages of the Officer who received the ſame, unleſs he ſhall make it appear, that ſuch Arms and Accoutrements were unavoidably loſt in the Service, or ſhall render ſome other good Reaſon, why he ſhould not be accountable for ſuch as ſhall be wanting as aforeſaid.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Colonel of ſaid Regiment be, and he is hereby directed, not to draw upon the Colony's Agent for the Wages of any Officer or Soldier, or upon any other Account whatever, unleſs for Money to defray ſuch neceſſary Charges, as cannot be drawn for in the *Lawful Money* of this Colony.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Soldier who ſhall inliſt for the enſuing Campaign, ſhall ſign an Inliſtment in the following Form, to wit:

I do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily inliſted myſelf into His Majeſty's Service, in the Regiment raiſing by the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, commanded by Colonel from the Day of the Date hereof, until the Firſt Day of *November* next, unleſs ſooner lawfully diſcharged; And that I have received from by whom I am inliſted, Five Pounds *Lawful Money* as Bounty. Witneſs my Hand, the Day of 1762."

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation agreeable to this Act: And to give Orders to the Regiment, or any Part thereof, to proceed, according to the Directions he ſhall receive from His Excellency General *Amherſt*.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer deliver unto the Committee of War, the Monies which ſhall be lodged in the General Treaſury, in Conſequence of this Act, or ſo much thereof as they may have Occaſion of, for the Purpoſes and Uſes aforeſaid. And that the Committee of War have the ſame Power and Authority in all Reſpects, for carrying this Act into Execution, as they have at any Time had by the Laws heretofore made, excepting the Appointment of Officers, for which the Charter hath already preſcribed a Method.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee appointed to ſign the Money by this Act ordered to be emitted, be, and they are hereby directed to lay their Accounts before the General Aſſembly, for Examination, before the ſame be paid.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Officers to command the Regiment by this Aſſembly ordered to be raiſed, for the enſuing Campaign.

Samuel Roſe, Eſq; Colonel.
Chriſtopher Hargil, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel.
Nathaniel Peck, Eſq; Major.
Abraham Hawkins, Captain of the Fourth
Thomas Fry, Captain of the Fifth
Thomas Tew, Captain of the Sixth
Giles Ruſſel, Captain of the Seventh } Company.
Jeoffry Wilcox, Captain Lieutenant of the Colonel Company.
Asa Bowdiſh, Firſt Lieutenant of the Second
Iſrael Peck, Firſt Lieutenant of the Third
George Cornel (Son of *Clarke*) Firſt Lieut. of the Fourth
Samuel Thornton, Firſt Lieutenant of the Fifth
Thomas Cottrell, Firſt Lieutenant of the Sixth } Company.
Hezekiah Saunders, Firſt Lieutenant of the Seventh
Thomas Roſe, Second Lieutenant of the Firſt
William Prior, Second Lieutenant of the Second
Moſes Warren, Second Lieutenant of the Third
Aſa Kimbal, Second Lieutenant of the Fourth
Andrew Boid, Second Lieutenant of the Fifth
William Herrenden, Second Lieutenant of the Sixth } Company.
Edward Croſs, Second Lieutenant of the Seventh

Daniel

Daniel Coggeſhall, jun. Enſign of the Firſt
Alexander Brown, Enſign of the Second
Simeon Stevens, Enſign of the Third
Jonathan Miller, Enſign of the Fourth
Iſhmael Wilcox, Enſign of the Fifth
Beriah Hopkins, Enſign of the Sixth
John Teffi, Enſign of the Seventh
} Company.

Benjamin Brown Surgeon; and Lieutenant *Aſa Kimbal*, Adjutant of the Regiment.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *James Honyman*, *Edward Scott*, *Godfrey Malbone*, jun. and *James Angel*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to draw up an Anſwer to the Queries ſent to this Government, by the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and Plantations, and lay the ſame before the General Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon Fees of *Nathan Queben* and *Benjamin Auſtin*, amounting to One Hundred Pounds Old Tenor; and alſo an Account for the Priſon Fees of *John Shearman*, amounting to One Hundred Pounds Old Tenor: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Accounts be, and they are hereby allowed; and that Two Hundred Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Philip Greene*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *John Wheaton*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee who built the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, preſented unto this Aſſembly, a State of that Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged for their Time and Expences in performing that Buſineſs, as follows, to wit:

Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, - - - Dr.---

1762. *Feb.* 12. To Sundries, as per Account rendered by the Committee for Building the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, as follows,

To the Amount of *Allin Brown's* Bills,	£. 15551	6	7
To the Amount of *William Smith's* Bills,	23191	8	8
To the Amount of *David Harris's* Bills,	9894	5	8
	£. 48637	0	11

CONTRA, - - CR.--

By Caſh granted by the Aſſembly at different Times.

June, 1759.	By Caſh granted in Old-Tenor,	£. 6000	0	0
May, 1760.	By Caſh granted £. 1000 *Lawfnl Money*, at 18 and One Third, is - - - -	18333	6	8
Feb. 1761.	By Caſh granted in Old Tenor,	15000	0	0
		£. 39333	6	8
	Balance due to the Committee,	9303	14	3
		£. 48637	0	11

We

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *October* laſt, to examine and ſettle the Accounts of the abovementioned Committee, do report, that we have carefully examined the aforegoing Account, and found ſufficient Vouchers to ſupport the whole thereof. Witneſs our Hands, this Thirteenth Day of *February*, 1762.

Joſeph Lippitt,
Philip Greene,
John Wheaton,
} Committee.

The Colony to the Committee, - - Dr.—

	£.	s.	d.
For our Time and Expences in performing the abovementioned Buſineſs, 3 Days each, at £. 6	£. 54	0	0
To *Philip Greene*, for 1 Day in *June* laſt,	6	0	0
	£. 60	0	0

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Sum of Nine Thouſand Three Hundred and Three Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence Old Tenor, being the Balance of the aforegoing Account, be paid to Meſſrs *Allin Brown*, *William Smith*, and *David Harris*, out of the General Treaſury: And that the Sum of Sixty Pounds, being the Amount of the Account of the Committee, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Philip Greene*, and *John Wheaton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Dexter*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony. for furniſhing and ſetting 834 Feet of Glaſs in the Colony-Houſe at *Providence*, at £. 3 10 0 per Foot, amounting to £. 2919 0 0. *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That two Thouſand Four Hundred Pounds of the ſaid Account be paid to the ſaid *John Dexter*, out of the General Treaſury: And that Meſſrs *Benjamin Cuſhing*, and *Darius Seſſions*,- be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the ſaid Account, and that if they ſhall find any Thing more due thereon. the ſame ſhall be paid the ſaid *John Dexter* out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Wages of the Clerk of the Houſe of Deputies be augmented to Eight Shillings *Lawful Money* per Day,

WHEREAS Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*, *John Shearman*, jun. *Daniel Jenckes*, *Richard Steere*, *John Kinnicut*, *Joſeph Lippit*, and *Stephen Potter*, Eſqrs. being the major Part of a Committee appointed to examine and compare the Eſtimates of the Rateable Eſtates,

returned

returned from the ſeveral Towns, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following general Eſtimate, to wit :

Towns.	Acres of Woodland	Value of Woodland	Amount of Live Stock	Money and Trading Stock	Rents	Polls
Johnſton	8046	164167	34759	94681	21362	156
Hopkinton	17228	172280	98338	88575	41000	266
Cranſton	7400	342439	123185	190589	57507	314
Richmond	15790	79019	61983	32201	25000	199
Cumberland	9224	138360	65978	62168	33270	245
Warren	1114	47878	53773	172374	34000	200
Little-Compton	5399	284010	90169	107046	45818	255
Tiverton	10368	362880	103850	250779	41310	309
Briſtol	486	24300	43915	201574	35075	205
Exeter	23196	154336	140415	42792	40000	293
Coventry		87787	67493	36377	26500	268
Weſt-Greenwich	16394	65953	57327	44934	27500	241
Charlesſtown	8212	204300	69812	51156	37435	202
Glouceſter		230806	108539	75107	40000	400
Scituate	59918	298363	112381	110305	57000	480
Smithfield	18921	278379	141204	259330	76256	439
Jamestown	50	5000	87477	58132	33000	76
Eaſt-Greenwich	3846	115380	55926	157556	36000	272
North Kingſtown	10735	374600	183894	131769	54000	307
South-Kingſtown	15407	539245	275699	396195	127988	290
Weſterly	6207	186210	65037	95122	49215	293
Middletown	125	12500	91982	52615	52758	132
New-Shoreham			49346	16831	24000	93
Warwick	9337	266145	137247	257173	68337	365
Portſmouth	343	34500	111006	110964	65000	217
Providence		141041	122671	1284768	70815	524
Newport	39	3900	281601	4073915	238602	1244
		4613778	2835007	8455028	1458748	8285

One Third Part of the total Amount of Wood-Land, is	£.	1537926	0 0
Total Amount of Live Stock and Negroes,		2835007	3 0
One Half the Amount of trading Stock,		4227514	0 0
Total Amount of Rents at Twelve Years Purchaſe,		17504976	0 0
	£.	26105423	0 0

WE the Subſcribers do report, That the Valuation of the Rateable Eſtates for the ſeveral Towns, both real and perſonal, be affixed and proportioned to the ſeveral Towns agreeable to the foregoing general Eſtimate.

Daniel Ayrault, jun. *John Shearman*, jun. *Daniel Jenckes*, *Richard Steere*, *John Kinnicut*, *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Stephen Potter*.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is accepted.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to diſſent from the Vote accepting the Report of the Committee for ſetling the Valuation.

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1ſt. Becauſe we are of Opinion that the Committee hath laid too large a Proportion upon the Country Towns, putting the trading Stock at but One Half the Value, when the Aſſembly had before made large Deductions for the trading Part, and this Committee hath reduced Money and trading Stock to One Half.

2d. Becauſe Land Rents are put at Twelve Years Purchaſe, which in our Opinions is too large.

William Potter,
Hezekiah Babcock,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt,
Nathan Babcock,
Abel Potter,
Ezekiel Gardner,
Joſeph Hoxſey
Samuel Boone, jun.
John Maxſon, jun.
Joſeph Spencer,
William Hazard,
John Champlin,
Joſeph Clark,
Themas Kinyon,
Edmond Sheffield,
Benjamin Greene,
Joſhua Clarke,
William Bradford,
George Stillman,
Job Randall.

George Haſzard, Eſq; was choſen a Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*, in the Room of *Peter Bours*, Eſq; deceaſed.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of that Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged for performing the ſaid Buſineſs, as follows, to wit:

1759. Dr.---- The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, to *Nathan Rice*.

Feb. 24.	To his Commiſſions on £. 61570 17 4 Half-penny, Old-Tenor, at 1 and an Half per Cent. not included in the laſt Audit,	£	923	10 10
	To the Amount of his Account, conſiſting of Muſter-Rolls, Receipt-Books, &c. auditted,		86722	2 3
	To his Commiſſions at 1 and an Half per Cent. on ſaid Sum, - - - - - - -		1300	18 0
			88946	11 1

1759, CONTRA, - - CR.--

Mar. 24.	By the Balance of the former Audit,	£.	746	18 10
	By £. 3905 13 9 Farthing Lawful Money, received at ſundry Times of the General Treaſurer, amounting in Old-Tenor to		71604	6 0
	By the Amount of the Sutler's and Commiſſary's Accounts, &c.		9335	17 10
		£.	81687	2 9
	By the Balance due, Old-Tenor,		7259	8 4
		£.	88946	11 1

1760. The Colony, - - Dr.---

March 21.	To the Balance of the aforegoing Account, being £. 7259 8 4 Old-Tenor, amounting in Lawful-Money, to		395	19 4

To

To the Amount of his Account conſiſting of Muſter-Rolls, Receipt-Book, &c.	4342	14	11
To my Commiſſions on ſaid Sum at 1 and an Half per Cent.	65	2	9
	4803	17	1
Balance due to the Colony from *Nathan Rice*,	190	0	11
	£. 4993	18	0

1761. CREDITOR.

Mar. 21. By *Lawful Money* received of the General Treaſurer at ſundry Times,	4584	2	2
By the Sutler's and Commiſſary's Accounts,	409	15	10
	£. 4993	18	0

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, to audit the Accounts of *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; late one of the Committee of War for ſaid Colony, do report, that we have carefully examined the Accounts of the ſaid *Nathan Rice*, with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame; whereby it appears that there is a Balance of One Hundred and Ninety Pounds and Eleven Pence One Farthing *Lawful-Money*, juſtly due from the aforementioned *Nathan Rice* to the Colony, including his Commiſſions on the Money paid, calculated at the Rate of One and an Half per Cent.

Warwick, Feb. 18, 1762. *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Othniel Gorton*, } Committee.

The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* to the Committee, Dr.----

To 4 Days each, auditting and ſettling the aforegoing Accounts, at £. 6 per Day, £. 48 0 0

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, That the ſaid *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; pay the Sum of One Hundred and Ninety Pounds and Eleven Pence, One Farthing, *Lawful-Money*, being the Balance of the aforegoing Account, into the General Treaſury, within Three Months after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that the Sum of Forty-eight Pounds Old-Tenor, be paid to the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Othniel Gorton*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Secretary be allowed the Sum of Eight Shillings *Lawful Money* per Day, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly for the future, including this Seſſion.

WHEREAS ſeveral Gentlemen of the Committee appointed to examine the Eſtimates of the Rateable Eſtates, exhibited unto this Aſſembly the following Account by them charged, for performing the ſaid Buſineſs, to wit:

The Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, Dr.---
For ſettling the General Eſtimate.

To Daniel Ayrault, jun.	Twenty Days.
To *John Shearman*, jun	Twenty Days.
To *Daniel Jenckes*,	Twenty Days.
To *John Kinnicut*,	Twenty Days.

To

To *Richard Steere*	Twenty Days.
To *Joſeph Lippitt*,	Twenty-one Days.
To *Stephen Potter*,	Twenty-one Days.
To *Robert Potter*,	Eighteen Days.
To *Shearjaſhub Bourn*,	Twenty Days.

It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid *Daniel Ayrault*, *John Shearman*, *Daniel Jenckes*, *John Kinnicut*, *Richard Steere*, *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Stephen Potter*, *Robert Potter*, and *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Six Pounds per Day, for the Time by them charged in the aforegoing Account.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for attending upon the Committee for ſettling the General Eſtimate, Ten Days and an Half, *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Nathaniel Mumford*, be paid out of the General Treaſury, at the Rate of Six Pounds per Day for that Time.

WHEREAS Mr. *Walter Cranſton*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for attending upon the Committee for ſetling the General Eſtimate, Two Days, *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Walter Cranſton*, be paid out of the General Treaſury, at the Rate of Six Pounds per Day for that Time.

WHEREAS *Job Randal*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly, the following Report and Account, to wit:

" I the Subſcriber being appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *June*, 1761, to ſettle with *Nicholas Brock*, a Soldier inliſted into the Service of the Colony, and receive the Money due from him to the Colony, have received of the ſaid *Brock*, the Sum of Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Seven Pence Lawful Money, in behalf of the Colony, and have given him my Receipt for the ſame.

Feb. 22*d*, A. D. 1762. JOB RANDAL.

The Colony, - - Dr.---

To my Time in performing the ſaid Buſineſs, and Horſe-hire to *Providence*, Two Days, £. 16 0 0

JOB RANDAL.

And the ſaid Report, and Accompt being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted, That the ſaid *Job Randal* pay the ſaid Sum of £. 4 18 7 Lawful Money into the General Treaſury: That the latter be allowed, and that Sixteen Pounds the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Job Randal*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for putting 53 Squares of Glaſs into the Colony-Houſe, at *Newport*, at £. 3 0 0 per Square: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Fifty-nine Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

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It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) *Thomas Freebody*, *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Edward Thurſton*, jun. and *Elnathan Hammond*, be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to wait on his Honor the Governor, and receive of him the Money in his Hands that aroſe from the Sale of a Quantity of Sugars, which were lately decreed to His Majeſty, by the Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty in this Colony: And that they alſo examine the Records of ſaid Court, and receive what more ſhall appear to belong to His Majeſty, by Virtue of ſaid Decree, from thoſe Perſons in whoſe Hands the ſame may be, and deliver the whole of what they ſhall receive, to the General Treaſurer, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame: That thereupon the Action brought for ſaid Goods, be withdrawn. And that the ſaid Committee make Report of their Doings to the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Two Indians now in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, who were charged with Murder, be tried at the next Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, to be holden at *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*, on the Firſt Monday of *March* next: And that the Judges of ſaid Court be, and they are hereby empowered to hear, try, and adjudge them, and if they ſhall be found guilty, to award Execution to be done upon them, in the ſame Manner as if the Crime of which they are accuſed had been committed within the ſaid County of *Newport*. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof, in any wiſe notwithſtanding. And that the Secretary publiſh this Act immediately.

WHEREAS *Thomas Spencer* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly this Seſſion, Six Days, cleanſing the Houſe, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Spencer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *William Spencer*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly at this Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Spencer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *William Sweet* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance on the General Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Sweet*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty Days, ſend Copies of the ſame, to each Town Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time; but if not called before nor at that Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Eighth Day of March, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.
Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry*

MARCH, 1762.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence-Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden (in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the Governor) at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Tueſday the Twenty-third Day of *March*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq; NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq; JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;	Aſſiſt's.	FRANCIS WILLETT, Eſq; HENRY GARDNER, Eſq; The SECRETARY.	Aſſiſt's.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. THOMAS CRANSTON, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Col. *Job Bennet*,
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Olney*:

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel*,
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Capt. *Randal Rice*,
Col. *James Arnold*.

WESTERLY,
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Col. *Nathan Babcock*.

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock*.
EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN;
William Haſzard, Eſq;
SMITHFIELD;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *William Dean*, jun.
CHARLESTOWN;
Mr. *Joſeph Hoxſie*,
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Abel Potter*.
COVENTRY;
Caleb Greene, Eſq,
Col. *Stephen Potter*.
EXETER;
Mr. *John Chapman*,
Mr. *Jeoffry Wilcox*.

MIDDLETOWN,
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Samuel Durfee, Eſq,
LITTLE-COMPTON,
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN;
Capt. *Thomas Cole*,
CUMBERLAND;
None.
RICHMOND;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON;
None.
HOPKINTON;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
John Maxſon, Eſq;
JOHNSTON;
Lt. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, in the County of *Newport*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of that Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for performing the ſaid Buſineſs, as follows, to wit:

Dr.-- The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* with *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *John Bours*, and *John Jepſon*.

To the Amount of Orders drawn on the General Treaſurer in Favor of ſundry Perſons, for the Uſe of the Expedition, from *January* 31, 1761, to *March* 20, 1762.	£. 3349	6	5
To the Amount of Receipts auditted, for Caſh paid jointly, on Account of the Expedition,	200	0	0
To the Amount of *Thomas Cranſton's* Account, for Caſh paid Bounties, Wages, Billeting, &c. auditted,	2874	9	0
To the Amount of the Accounts of *Peter Bours*, deceaſed, and *John Bours*, for Caſh paid Bounties, Wages, Billeting, &c. auditted,	1418	16	6
To the Amount of *John Jepſon's* Account, auditted	39	19	8
	7882	11	7

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By the Amount of Orders paid to ſundry Perſons by the General Treaſurer, from *January* 31, 1761, to *March* 20, 1762.				£.	3349	6 3
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, on joint Account,					200	0 0
By the Amount of *Thomas Cranſton's* Account, with the General Treaſurer,	£.	2596	13 0			
Balance due to *Thomas Cranſton*,		277	15 11			
					2874	9 0
By the Amount of the Accounts of *Peter Bours*, and *John Bours*, with the General Treaſurer,	£.	1092	6 0			
Balance due to *Peter* and *John Bours*,		326	10 6			
					1418	16 6
By the Amount of a Balance due to *John Jepſon*,					39	19 8
					7882	11 7

Newport, March 20, 1762.

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee by the Honorable General Aſſembly, to audit the accounts of the Committee of War, at *Newport*, do report, That we have carefully examined the Accounts of *Thomas Cranſton*, *Peter Bours*, and *John Bours*, and *John Jepſon*, with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the Accounts, auditted, and ſettled: Whereby it appears, that there are the following Balances juſtly due, to *Thomas Cranſton*, Two Hundred and Seventy-ſeven Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Half Penny: To *Peter Bours*, and *John Bours*, Three Hundred and Twenty-ſix Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence Half Penny: And to *John Jepſon*, Thirty-nine Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Eight Pence One Farthing, Lawful Money, including their Commiſſions, calculated at One and an Half per Cent. upon the Monies paid. We likewiſe find by Certificates from under the Hand of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, that they have given the Colony Credit, for all the Money received by them from Time to Time.

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend,
} Committee.

The Colony, - - - Dr.--
To our Time and Trouble in auditting the above Accounts, £. 1 10 0

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the above Balances be reſpectively paid to *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs, out of the General Treaſury: And that the Account of the Auditors be allowed, and that One Pound Ten Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid to Meſſrs *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *Joſias Rogers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Expences, and Horſe Hire in warning the Members of the General Aſſembly, in the County of *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-three Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſias Rogers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Rogers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for furniſhing the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* with eight Blankets for the Uſe of the Priſoners in Gaol. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Rogers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Moſes Levy*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for furniſhing Paper to the Committee appointed to ſign the Lawful Money. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds Seven Shillings and Six Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Moſes Levy*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Francis Willett*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences, as One of the Committee appointed to examine the Eſtimates returned from the ſeveral Towns, Fifteen Days, at Six Pounds per Day. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ninety Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Francis Willett*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Spencer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing a Bucket, mending the Windows, and plaiſtering and white-waſhing the Gaol in the County of *Kent*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Spencer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Expences, and Horſe-Hire, in carrying Copies of the Rate Bill, in *October* laſt, to the Town-Clerks of *Middletown*, *Portſmouth*, *Tiverton*, and *Little-Compton*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *James Franklin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing Two Setts of Bills of Exchange, the Rate Bill, and the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly, and providing Paper for the ſame. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Hundred and Fifty-five Pounds Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Franklin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Clarke*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe Hire, Time, and Expences in carrying the Rate-Bill, in *October* laſt, to the Counties of *Briſtol*, *Providence*, *Kent*, and *Kings-County*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Clarke*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Robert Pate*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Hire of his Horſe, in *June* laſt, let to *Samuel Rhodes*, who was ſent Expreſs with the Act of Aſſembly, for taking an Account of the Rateable Eſtates in this Colony. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Robert Potter*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mrs. *Dinah Kelton*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by her charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of her Houſe, by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, within and for the County of *Providence*, who held the Term there in *December* laſt, amounting to One Hundred and Sixty Pounds. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That One Hundred and Twenty Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Dinah Kelton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Brown* (Son of *Eliſha*) exhibited unto this Aſſembly at the laſt Seſſion, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, amounting to Twenty-one Pounds Ten Shillings; at which Seſſion the Sum of Fifteen Pounds, was ordered to be paid the ſaid *John Brown*, out of the General Treaſury. And now, he having repreſented, that his Account was reaſonable, and that the whole thereof ought to be allowed him: And this Aſſembly having re-conſidered the ſaid Account, *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That the whole thereof be allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount of the ſame, be paid the ſaid *John Brown*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the laſt Term of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which was to have been held within and for the County of *Kings-County*, by Means of a violent Storm failed, and there being many Caſes pending at ſaid Court *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs of every Kind depending at ſaid Court, ſhall, and may be tried at the next Term of ſaid Court in ſaid County, in the ſame Manner as tho' the ſame had been continued thereto

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt*, Eſq; and others, Inhabitants of the County of *Kent*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That there are many who have legally gained Settlements in that County, and under a falſe Petence of being incapable of ſupporting themſelves, have put themſelves upon the ſeveral Towns for Maintenance; whereby the Towns aforeſaid are burthened with heavy unneceſſary Coſts; when at the ſame Time many of thoſe Perſons are capable of earning a conſiderable Part of their Support, if they are reſtricted to ſuch reaſonable Service, as they are capable of performing. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly, to grant a Lottery, ſufficient (after deducting the neceſſary Expences) to build a convenient Houſe in ſome convenient Part of ſaid County, for ſuch People to dwell in, and to be kept to ſuch Labor as their Abilities will admit of: And that *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Giles Peirce*, Eſqrs, Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; and Capt. *Abel Potter*, be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery, and empowered to draw the Scheme.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted: *Provided* the Directors give Bond in double the Sum of the Lottery; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony. And Mr. *Thomas Greene* (Son of *Richard*) is hereby appointed a Director of the ſaid Lottery, in the Room of *Joſeph Lippitt*, Eſq; who declines acting in that Capacity.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that the High-way in the ſaid Town, at the Place where the Two Roads meet againſt *Benjamin Hunt's*, is ſo worn by the great Quantity of Water that falls from the Hill, that it is not paſſable for more than one Cart at a Time: That the Highway leading to the Mills, and into *Smithfield and Glouceſter*, is not paſſable all the Winter Seaſon, unleſs the Cattle be ſhod, by Reaſon of the Springs that ariſe out of the Ground. And that Twenty or Thirty Rods of the ſaid Road is overflowed every Spring Tide, and is impaſſable for Carts, or People on Foot during the Tide's being up; which is a great Damage both to the ſaid Town; and the Country, a great Part of the Wood being brought into Town by that Road. And thereupon they prayed, that a Lottery might be granted for raiſing the Sum of One Thouſand Pounds, for repairing ſaid Highway: That Meſſrs *Eſek Hopkins*, *Edward Thurber*, *Joſeph Whipple*, jun. and *Job Smith*, may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery (they engaging to tranſact ſaid Affair without Reward) and that they be empowered to raiſe ſaid Sum, by Way of Lottery, in ſuch Manner as they ſhall think moſt expedient, for accompliſhing the ſame, and apply the Money to the ſaid Uſe.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted, *Provided* the Directors give ſufficient Bond, in double the Sum of the Lottery, for the faithful Diſcharge of the Truſt repoſed in them, and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; and others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the North End of the ſaid Town is very miry in many Places, which renders it very difficult for Carriages to paſs: And therefore prayed that they might have Liberty to raiſe the Sum of Two Thouſand

ſand Two Hundred Pounds Old Tenor, by a Lottery conſiſting of Two Thouſand Five Hundred Tickets, at Eight Pounds each, to be applied towards paving that Part of the ſaid Town: That Meſſrs *Eliſha Brown*, *Obadiah Sprague*, *Nathaniel Balch*, *James Olney*, and *Samuel Currie*, may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery, they receiving nothing for their Time and Trouble in this Affair. That the ſaid Directors or any Tree of of them, be empowered to carry on the ſaid Pavement in ſuch Places, and in ſuch Manner, as they ſhall think beſt. And that all Prizes not demanded in Six Months after the drawing ſhall be completed, be forfeited and applied to the Purpoſe aforeſaid.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted, *Provided* the Directors give ſufficient Bond, in double the Sum of the Lottery, and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS the Members of the Church of *England*, in *Providence*, and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that they are not able to raiſe a ſufficient Sum of Money by Subſcription, for repairing the Church in ſaid Town, and building a new Steeple; which if properly finiſhed, will not only be an Advantage to the Building, but an Ornament to the Town: And therefore prayed this Aſſembly, That a Lottery may be ſet forth for raiſing One Thouſand Dollars, to be applied for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: And that *George Taylor*, *Henry Paget*, and *Samuel Chace*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *John Cole*, *Joſeph Ruſſel*, *Ebenenex Thompſon*, *Joſeph Naſh*, and *Silas Cooke*, be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted, *Provided* the Directors give Bond in double the Sum of the Lottery, and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS ſundry Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Money raiſed by the Lotteries heretofore granted, is inſufficient for compleating the Pavement: And thereupon they prayed, That Three Claſſes more of a Lottery may be granted, for raiſing Six Thouſand Pounds, to be limited, and under the ſame Regulation as the former Claſſes; and that the Money which ſhall be raiſed thereby, be divided among the Three Diſtricts as at Firſt by Law eſtabliſhed, And further they repreſented, That divers Perſons have advanced Money for carrying on the Pavement, and prayed that the Money ſo to be raiſed belonging to each particular Diſtrict, be ſubject to reimburſe thoſe who have advanced their Money in ſuch Diſtrict; and that the Reſidue be appropriated for carrying on the Pavement. And that Meſſrs. *Eſek Hopkins*, *Moſes Brown*, *John Smith*, *Benoni Pearce*, *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *Benjamin Man*, may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: *Provided* the Directors give ſufficient Bond in double the Sum of the Lottery; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *William Wall*, and *Henry Wall*, both of *North-Kingstown*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they are almoſt utterly ruined by the late Fire in *Newport*, which conſum'd great Quantities of Merchandize belonging to them. That many of His Majeſty's Subjects are fond and deſirous of aſſiſting them, and have adviſed them to petition the General Aſſembly for a Lottery, that they may have it in their Power to aſſiſt the Petitioners in the handſomeſt Manner they can. And thereupon the ſaid *William* and *Henry* prayed this Aſſembly, to commiſerate their calamitous Circumſtances, and grant them a Lottery, to enable them to raiſe the Sum of Four Thouſand Five Hundred Dollars, which will in ſome Meaſure relieve them: And to appoint proper Managers or Directors thereof, to draw up a ſuitable Scheme.

On Conſideration whereof

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: *Provided* the Directors give ſufficient Bond in double the Sum of the Lottery; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony. And *Daniel Coggeſhall*, Eſq; Capt. *Joſeph Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) *Thomas Caſey*, and *Gideon Cornell*, Eſqrs. are hereby appointed Directors of the Lottery. *And it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Directors be empowered to carry on the ſaid Lottery in One or more Claſſes.

An ACT, for raiſing One Hundred and Seventy-eight able-bodied effective Men, to recruit His Majeſty's Regular Regiments, in *North-America*.

WHEREAS Letters have been received by this Colony from the Right Honorable the Earl of Egremont, *and His Excellency General* Amherſt, *requiring this Colony to raiſe One Hundred and Seventy-eight effective Men, for recruiting His Majeſty's Regular Regiments now ſerving in America. And His Excellency General* Amherſt *hath engaged in Behalf of the Crown, to pay to every able-bodied effective Man, who ſhall inliſt into ſaid Service, Five Pounds* New-York *Currency, as a Bounty; and alſo Forty Shillings of the like Money to the Officers that ſhall be appointed to inliſt ſaid Men, for every Man that ſhall be ſo inliſted. And this Aſſembly being ready and willing to do every Thing in their Power for His Majeſty's Service,*

DO ENACT, and by the Authority of this General Aſſembly, It is Enacted, That One Hundred and Seventy-eight able-bodied effective Men be forthwith raiſed in this Colony, for recruiting His Majeſty's Regular Regiments in *North-America*.

And

And for the better Encouragement of Men to inliſt, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every able-bodied effective Man, not exceeding the Age of Forty Years, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who ſhall inliſt into this Service, and ſhall be received as ſuch, by the Officer to be ſent into this Colony, by His Excellency General Amherſt for that Purpoſe, ſhall be paid Five Pounds Lawful Money of this Colony as a Bounty, over and above the Five Pounds *New-York* Currency allowed by the Crown; and ſhall be entitled to, and receive the ſame Billeting as is allowed to the Soldiers inliſted into the Provincial Regiment raiſing by this Colony, from the Time of his Inliſtment, until he ſhall leave the Colony. *And further*, his Perſon, Eſtate, and Bail (if any he hath) ſhall, during his Continuance in the Service, be exempted from all Arreſts and Executions, and he ſhall be releaſed from Confinement for any Debt not exceeding Twenty Pounds Lawful Money, or Old Tenor equivalent thereto, due to One Perſon. Which Men ſo inliſted, are to ſerve in *North-America*, during the War, or until the Regular Regiments ſhall be called Home; and are to receive ſuch Cloathing, Billeting, and Wages, as His Majeſty's Regular Forces are intitled to; and at the Expiration of the Time of their Service, they are to be diſcharged, and brought back to their reſpective Homes.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Col. *John Whiting*, Major *Thomas Burkett*, Capt. *Joſhua Brown*, Mr. *William Bradford*, and Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*, be, and they are hereby appointed to inliſt the aforeſaid Number of Men, agreeable to this Act: And that each of the ſaid Officers ſhall be allowed and paid the Forty Shillings *New-York* Currency, promiſed to be paid by the Crown, for every Man he ſhall inliſt into this Service, who ſhall be accepted as effective by the Officer, who ſhall be appointed by His Excellency General *Amherſt*, to receive ſaid Men.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That whoever ſhall diſcourage any Perſon from inliſting into this Service, ſhall be liable to, and ſuffer the Penalties by Law to be inflicted on ſuch Perſons as diſcourage any one from entering into the Regiment raiſing by this Colony. And that any Perſon who ſhall encourage, or adviſe any Soldier inliſted into this Service to deſert, or ſhall be aiding or aſſiſting in ſecreting any ſuch Deſerter, ſhall pay as a Fine into the General Treaſury, to and for the Uſe of the Colony the Sum of Fifty Pounds Lawful Money, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, in an Action of the Caſe, in any Court of Record in this Colony.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That any able-bodied effective Man who hath already inliſted, or ſhall hereafter inliſt into the Regiment raiſing by this Colony, may be inliſted as One of the Men by this Act ordered to be raiſed: And if he hath not received the Bounty for inliſting into the Regiment raiſing by this Colony, he ſhall be intitled to, and receive the Bounty by this Act allowed to Perſons who ſhall inliſt into this Service; but if he hath received the ſaid Bounty, he ſhall be entitled only to the Bounty allowed by the Crown.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any of the Officers appointed to inliſt ſaid Men, ſhall refuſe to undertake ſaid Buſineſs, the Governor of this Colony for the Time being ſhall appoint proper Perſons, in the Room of ſuch as ſhall refuſe.

And

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Committee of War be empowered to draw Money out of the General Treaſury, to pay the Billeting and Bounty to the Soldiers who ſhall inliſt into this Service.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation agreeable to this Act.

WHEREAS *Rufus Greene*, and *Giles Peirce*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to receive from *Daniel Howland*, Eſq; late Clerk of the Inferior Court, in the County of *Kent*, the Seal, Files of Papers, Books of Record, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver the ſame to Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, the preſent Clerk, delivered unto this Aſſembly the Receipt given them by the ſaid *Benjamin Greene*, *It is thereupon Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Receipt be, and the ſame is hereby accepted

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Walter Cranſton*, *John Davis*, jun. *John Dennis*, and *James Tew*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 250 Days Service, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Newport*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined. *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventy-five Pounds *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Walter Cranſton*, *John Davis*, jun. *John Dennis*, and *James Tew*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Samuel Currie*, *Edward Tripp*, *James Angel*, and *Charles Olney*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Providence*, as follows, to wit:

		£.		
Nicholas Tillinghaſt,	27 Days, at 6*ſ*	8	2	0
Samuel Currie,	23 Days, at 6*ſ*	6	18	0
Edward Tripp,	16 Days, at 6*ſ*	4	16	0
James Angell,	24 Days, at 6*ſ*	7	4	0
Charles Olney,	16 Days, at 6*ſ*	4	16	0
		£. 31	16	0

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Votedand Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eight Pounds Two Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*; Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money be paid the ſaid *Samuel Currie*; Four Pounds Sixteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Edward Tripp*; Seven Pounds Four Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *James Angel*; and Four Pounds Sixteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Charles Olney*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Almy*, *Thomas Shearuan*, jun. *Caleb Allen*, *Robert Burrington*, jun. and *Enoch Butts*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 16 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Portſmouth*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted*

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and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-four Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Almy*, *Thomas Shearman*, jun. *Caleb Allen*, *Robert Burrington*, jun. and *Enoch Butts*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Othniel Gorton*, *Benjamin Arnold*, *Philip Greene*, *James Rhodes*, and *Joſeph Lippitt*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 22 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Warwick*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-three Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Othniel Gorton*, *Benjamin Arnold*, *Philip Greene*, *James Rhodes*, and *Joſeph Lippitt*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *George Stillman*, *Elias Thompſon*, *Nathan Babcock*, *Joſeph Crandal*, and *Eliſha Clarke*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 9 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Weſterly*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Thirteen Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Stilman*, *Elias Thompſon*, *Nathan Babcock*, *Joſeph Crandal*, and *Eliſha Clarke*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Samuel Rathbone*, *John Pain*, *John Littlefield*, *Caleb Littlefield*, jun. and *Ray Sands*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *New-Shoreham*, as follows, to wit:

Samuel Rathbone,	6 Days, at 6*ſ*	£.	1	16 0
John Pain,	7 Days, at 6*ſ*		2	2 0
John Littlefield,	7 Days, at 6*ſ*		2	2 0
Caleb Littlefield, jun.	5 Days, at 6*ſ*		1	10 0
Ray Sands,	3 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*		1	1 0
		£.	8	11 0

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Pound Sixteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Rathbone*; Two Pounds Two Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *John Pain*; Two Pounds Two Shillings, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *John Littlefield*; One Pound Ten Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Caleb Littlefield* jun.; and One Pound One Shilling Lawful Money be paid the ſaid *Ray Sands*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Barber*, *Samuel Boone*, jun. *Peter Phillips*, *Samuel Browning*, jun. and *Henry Wall*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *North-Kingſtown*, as follows, to wit:

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John Barber,	23 Days, at 6*s*	£. 6 18 0
Samuel Boone, jun.	11 Days, at 6*s*	3 6 0
Peter Phillips,	23 Days, at 6*s*	6 18 0
Samuel Browning, jun.	23 Days, at 6*s*	6 18 0
Henry Wall,	23 Days, at 6*s*	6 18 0
		£. 30 18 0

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *John Barber*; Three Pounds Six Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Boone*, jun. Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Peter Phillips*; Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Browning*, jun.; and Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Henry Wall*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Sheldon*, *Jeremiah Brown*, *William Congdon*, *Samuel Rogers*, and *Chriſtopher Robinſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *South-Kingstown*, as follows, to wit:

John Sheldon,	14 Days, at 6*s*	£. 4 4 0
Jeremiah Brown,	14 Days, at 6*s*	4 4 0
William Congdon,	13 Days, at 6*s*	3 18 0
Samuel Rogers,	13 Days, at 6*s*	3 18 0
Chriſtopher Robinſon,	13 Days. at 6*s*	3 18 0
		£. 20 2 0

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds Four Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *John Sheldon*; Four Pounds Four Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Jeremiah Brown*; Three Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *William Congdon*; Three Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Rogers*; and Three Pounds Eighteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Chriſtopher Robinſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Silveſter Sweet*, *Jonathan Andrews*, *Benjamin Spencer* (Son of *John*) *Giles Peirce*, and *John Olin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 21 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-one Pounds Ten Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silveſter Sweet*, *Jonathan Andrews*, *Benjamin Spencer*, *Giles Peirce*, and *John Olin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Benjamin Carr*, *William Hazard*, *Benjamin Underwood*, *Edward Carr*, and *Oliver Martin*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Jameſtown*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and*

and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Nine Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Carr*, *William Hazard*, *Benjamin Underwood*, *Edward Carr*, and *Oliver Martin*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *William Jenckes*, *Thomas Steere*, *David Comſtock*, *Thomas Lapham*, and *Joſeph Mowrey*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 90 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Smithfield*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-ſeven Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Jenckes*, *Thomas Steere*, *David Comſtock*, *Thomas Lapham*, and *Joſeph Mowrey*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Job Randall*, *Charles Harris*, *John Fiſke*, *Timothy Hopkins*, and *Gideon Harris*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 20 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Scituate*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Job Randall*, *Charles Harris*, *John Fiſke*, *Timothy Hopkins*, and *Gideon Harris*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Philip Greene*, *Samuel Hopkins*, jun. *Charles Carr*, *Gideon Ellis*, and *Iſaac Johnſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 56 Days Service, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Weſt-Greenwich*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Philip Greene*, *Samuel Hopkins*, jun. *Charles Carr*, *Gideon Ellis*, and *Iſaac Johnſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Stephen Colegrove*, *John Rice*, *Thomas Matteſon*, and *Benjamin Dexter*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service 21 Days each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Coventry*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-five Pounds Four Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Stephen Colegrove*, *John Rice*, *Thomas Matteſon*, and *Benjamin Dexter*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *William Turner*, *Samuel Allen*, *Joſhua Coggeſhall*, jun. *John Barker* (Son of *Clement*) & *Tho. Weaver*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for Thirteen Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Middletown*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Nineteen Pounds Ten Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Turner*, *Samuel Allen*, *Joſhua Coggeſhall*, jun. *John Barker*, and *Thomas Weaver*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Joſeph Eddy*, *Jonah Steere*, *Jonathan Harris* *Timothy Wilmarth*, and *Oliver Arnold*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Glouceſter*, as follows, to wit :

Joſeph Eddy,	23 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*	£. 7 1 0
Jonah Steere,	23 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*	7 1 0
Jonathan Harris,	24 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*	7 7 0
Timothy Wilmarth,	23 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*	7 1 0
Oliver Arnold,	22 Days and an Half, at 6*ſ*	6 15 0
		£. 35 5 0

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seven Pounds One Shilling Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Eddy*; Seven Pounds One Shilling Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Jonah Steere*; Seven Pounds Seven Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Harris*; Seven Pounds One Shilling Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Timothy Wilmarth*; and Six Pounds Fifteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Oliver Arnold*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Hill*, *Joſeph Stanton*, *John Ladd*, *John Champlin*, and *Samuel Burdick*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 10 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Charleſtown* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Hill*, *Joſeph Stanton*, *John Ladd*, *John Champlin*, and *Samuel Burdick*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *William Monroe*, *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, *Nathaniel Fales*, *Royal Pain*, and *John Howland*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 10 Days ſervice each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Briſtol* : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifteen Pounds *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Monroe*, *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, *Nathaniel Fales*, *Royal Pain*, and *John Howland*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Samuel Durfee*, *Edward Gray*, *Oliver Cooke*, *Job Durfee*, and *Thomas Anthony*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 54 Days Service, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Tiverton* : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixteen Pounds Four Shillings *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Durfee*, *Edward Gray*, *Oliver Cooke*, *Job Durfee*, and *Thomas Anthony*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Nathaniel Searle*, *Richard Brownell*, *Henry Wood*, *Thomas Brownell*, and *Simeon Palmer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service, Ten Days each : taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates, in the Town

Little-Compton: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Searle*, *Richard Brownell*, *Henry Wood*, *Thomas Brownell*, and *Simeon Palmer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs, *John Kinnicut*, *Matthew Watſon*, *Joſiah Humphrey*, *Nathan Miller*, and *Silveſter Child*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Warren*, as follows, to wit:

		£.	s.	d.
John Kinnicut,	18 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	5	11	0
Matthew Watſon,	16 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	4	19	0
Joſiah Humphey,	16 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	4	19	0
Nathan Miller,	11 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	3	9	0
Silveſter Child,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
		£. 22	10	0

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Five Pounds Eleven Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *John Kinnicut*; Four Pounds Nineteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Matthew Watſon*; Four Pounds Nineteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Joſiah Humphrey*; Three Pounds Nine Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Nathan Miller*; and Three Pounds Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Silveſter Child*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Job Bartlet*, *John Dexter*, *Jeremiah Whipple*, *Uriah Jillſon*, and *Joſeph Davis*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates, in the Town of *Cumberland*, as follows, to wit:

		£.	s.	d.
Job Bartlet,	6 Days, at 6*s*	1	16	0
John Dexter,	13 Days, at 6*s*	3	18	0
Jeremiah Whipple,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
Uriah Jillſon,	9 Days, at 6*s*	2	14	0
Joſeph Davis,	11 Days, at 6*s*	3	6	0
		£. 15	6	0

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered. *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Pound Sixteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Job Bartlet*; Three Pounds Eighteen Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *John Dexter*; Three Pounds Twelve Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *Jeremiah Whipple*; Two Pounds Fourteen Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *Uriah Jillſon*; and Three Pounds Six Shillings *Lawful Money* be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Davis*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Thomas Clarke*, *Thomas Kinyon*, *Thomas Lillibridge*, *Richard Bailey*, and *Stephen Hoxſey*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 11 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Richmond*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixteen Pounds Ten

Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Clarke*, *Thomas Kinyon*, *Thomas Lillibridge*, *Richard Bailey*, and *Stephen Hoxſey*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Chriſtopher Lippitt*, *Nathaniel Williams*, and *John Waterman*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for 23 Days Service each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Cranſton*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-four Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Chriſtopher Lippitt*, *Nathaniel Williams*, *Richard Searle*, *Matthew Manchester*, and *John Waterman*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Maxſon*, *John Lewis*, *Hezekiah Collins*, *Joſhua Clarke*, and *Simeon Perry*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for Ten Days ſervice each, in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Hopkinton*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Pounds *Lawful Money*, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Maxſon*, *John Lewis*, *Hezekiah Collins*, *Joſhua Clarke*, and *Simeon Perry*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Joſeph Waterman*, *Gideon Brown*, *Noah Matteſon*, *Thomas Olney*, and *John Fenner*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Johnſton*, as follows, to wit:

		£.	s.	d.
Joſeph Waterman,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
Gideon Brown,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
Noah Matteſon,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
Thomas Olney,	12 Days, at 6*s*	3	12	0
John Fenner,	23 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	4	1	0
		£. 18	9	0

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Three Pounds Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Waterman*; Three Pounds Twelve Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Brown*: Three Pounds Twelve Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *Noah Matteſon*; Three Pounds Twelve Shillings *Lawful Money*, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Olney*; and Four Pounds One Shilling *Lawful Money* be paid the ſaid *John Fenner*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Thomas Freebody*, and *John Wanton*, preſented unto this Aſſembly, the following Report, to wit:

"WE whoſe Names are underwritten, being of a Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, to receive of his Honor the Governor, the Money ariſing from the Sale of certain Sugars, belonging to the Colony, and to pay the ſame to the Treaſurer, do report, as followeth:

That

That we firſt ſearched the Regiſtry of the Admiralty Court, in order to find out the exact Quantity of Sugar ſet off in the Colony's Right; but upon Examination could not find any Account thereof. We then proceeded to wait upon *John Andrews*, Eſq; Judge of the Admiralty, and deſired of him an Account of the Sugars as aforeſaid; as alſo a Bill of the Admiralty Coſt, and other Expences on the Sugars aforeſaid: Upon which he delivered us Two Papers (Copies of which are herewith exhibited) the one containing an Invoice of the ſaid Sugars, and the other Coſts and Expences on the Sugars: Whereupon we required the ſaid *John Andrews* to certify upon ſaid Papers, that the one contained a true Account of the Sugars condemned in his Court; and that the other was a juſt and lawful Account of Coſts and Expences on the ſame; But the ſaid Judge would certify nothing concerning either of the ſaid Papers; but required us to return them to him, which we did. That we procured from Mr. *John Lawrence*, an Account of the Sugars, ſold by Order of the Court of Admiralty, which we herewith preſent.

That we waited on his Honor the Governor, and deſired to ſee an atteſted Account of the Part of Sugar belonging to the Colony; upon which he opened before us his Book of Accounts, in which was an Account of Sales of ſome Sugars which he ſaid was the Colony's Part and his own jointly, and in which the Colony's Sugars were not diſtinguiſhed from his own. We deſired to know if he would certify to us that what he ſhewed as the Colony's, was the whole that belonged to the Right which the Colony claimed. He ſaid he could not certify that, but that the One Half of what was contained in the ſaid Account was all that he received for that Right; a Copy of which Account we alſo ſubjoin. We then aſked his Honor if he was ready to pay to us the Sum of Money ariſing from the Sale of ſuch Sugars, as he acknowledged to have ſold in the Colony's Right. He told us that he had always informed the General Aſſembly, that he had not received the Money for the Sugars ſold on the Colony's Account, but that the ſame was in the Hands of Capt. *William Mumford*, that he had received near One Half of the Money for which the whole Sugars were ſold, which was in Part of his own Right, and that he ſhould not pay any Proportion thereof to the Colony; but that if he had received the whole, he did not think we were able to give him a proper Diſcharge, and that he ſhould not be ſafe in paying the Money to us, but muſt have a Diſcharge from the General Treaſurer, which he ſaid he had always informed the General Aſſembly was neceſſary.

The following is a State of that Account, according to the beſt Information we could procure, to wit:

Sugars ſold by Mr. *John Lawrence*, £. 5171 7 9		
Three Farthings, of which, One Third Part belongs to the Colony	£. 1723 15 11	
Sugars ſold by the Governor, £. 21331 5 0 of which One Half belongs to the Colony,	10665 12 6	
	£. 12389 8 5	

which Sum is due to the Colony, after deducting the Coſts of Court, and other Expences that accrued upon them.

That the Judge of the Admiralty having given us an Order to the Regiſter, to deliver us Copies of ſuch Papers as we ſhould require, we

 ſince

ſince our Return from *Providence*, have received from him an atteſted Copy of the Valuation of the Sugars; of an Invoice of each Third Part, as they were divided; of the Coſts of Court; and of the Expences, which we herewith deliver.

All which is ſubmitted, by

Pardon Tillinghaſt,
Thomas Freebody,
John G. Wanton.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That if his Honor the Governor ſhall pay the above-mentioned Sum of Ten Thouſand Six Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence, into the General Treaſury, before the Sitting of the next Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery to be holden in the County of *King's-County*, the Action brought againſt *Allin Brown*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, ſhall be withdrawn: And the General Treaſurer ſhall give his Honor the Governor a proper Diſcharge for the ſaid Sum, containing a Promiſe, that if his Honor the Governor ſhall hereafter be ſued for the ſame Money, the Colony ſhall indemify him.

WHEREAS *Rufus Spencer*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for warning the Members of the General Aſſembly in the County of *Kent*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Rufus Spencer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Charles Tillinghaſt*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Windows of the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kent*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Charles Tillinghaſt*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War immediately take an Account of all the Men inliſted in the Regiment raiſing by this Colony: That they order the Soldiers to be brought before them in order to paſs Muſter, and diſcharge all ſuch as appear unfit for the Service: And that each inliſting Officer ſhall return to the Committee of War the Bounty and Billeting Money he hath paid to ſuch Men, as ſhall be diſcharged as unfit.

And for ſupplying the Treaſury with a ſufficient Sum of Money to pay the Bounties of the Men ordered to be raiſed, to recruit the Regular Regiments in *North-America*, *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds *Lawful Money*, be forthwith emitted. That the Bills be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, and Five Shillings: That they bear Date the 10th of *April*, 1762, and be ſigned by any Three of the Committee appointed to ſign the £. 5000 laſt emitted: And that the Money be emitted upon the ſame Terms; the Bills be of the ſame Tenor and Form, and redeemed in the ſame Manner, as the aforeſaid £. 5000 laſt emitted.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby added to the aforeſaid Committee for ſigning the Bills.

And

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay all the Orders drawn by the Committee of War before the Thirtieth Day of *November* laſt, out of the Old-Tenor that was collected by the laſt Rate, and now in the General Treaſury, or that ſhall hereafter be paid into the General Treaſury. And that the Lawful Money collected by the laſt Rate, remain in the Treaſury to diſcharge the Bonds for which the ſame was levied.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Edmond Sheffield*, and *Joſeph Spencer*, Deputies from the Town of *New-Shoreham*, did in Behalf of the ſaid Town, prefer a Petition, and repreſent unto this Aſſembly, That in and by the Act for aſſeſſing and levying the laſt Colony Rate it was Enacted, That any Town that ſhould be aggrieved by the proportioning the ſaid Tax, ſhould be redreſſed in the next future Tax: That they are of Opinion, that the ſaid Town of *New-Shoreham*, is greatly aggrieved by the proportioning of the ſaid Tax, and hath alſo for a Number of Years paſt, paid more than their due Proportion of the Public Taxes. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to appoint a Committee of honeſt diſintereſted Farmers, to view, examine, and make Report to this Aſſembly, of the real Value of the ſaid Town of *New-Shoreham*. and of the Advantages and Diſadvantages the Inhabitants thereof are liable to, and compare the ſame with any other Town in the Colony: And that they will pay the Expences, that ſhall accrue in Conſequence of a Committee's being appointed as aforeſaid.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: That *Stephen Potter*, *Giles Peirce*, and *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee, to perform the aforementioned Service, at the Charge of the Town of *New-Shoreham*: And that they make Report to to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS the following Report was laid before this Aſſembly, to wit:

WHEREAS in the Year 1755, in the Month of *Auguſt*, *Joſeph Barber*, and *Benoni Hall*, were appointed a Committee to exchange Part of the Ten Rod Highway, nigh to *Abraham Willcox's* Land, and *Eliſha Barber's* Land; and have done the ſame according to a Draught thereof, and Return thereon ſigned by ſaid *Barber* and ſaid *Hall*: And the ſaid *Abraham Wilcox*, and *Eliſha Barber*, both appeared in ſaid Town-Meeting, and deſired that ſaid Return might be accepted; and alſo agreed with ſaid Town to accept of the old Highway adjoining to the new one laid out by ſaid *Barber*, and ſaid *Hall*; in Lieu, and in full Satisfaction for what Land the new Highway takes out of each of their reſpective Lands.

Abraham Wilcox,
Eliſha Barber.

VOTED, That ſaid Return ſigned by *Joſeph Barber*, and *Benoni Hall*, reſpecting the exchanging the aboveſaid Highway be, and is hereby accepted of by this Meeting.

A true Copy, as appears by Record, of a Town-Meeting held within and for the Town of *Exeter*, the Sixth Day of *December*, A. D. 1757.
Atteſt. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS, T. Clerk.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted and approved of, by this Aſſembly, and that the ſame be entered in the Public Records of this Colony.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly at the laſt Seſſion, made and paſſed an Act, allowing Two Thouſand Four Hundred Pounds, to *John Dexter*, Eſq; in Part of his Account againſt the Colony: And it now appearing to this Aſſembly, that the ſaid Sum is more than is juſtly due to the ſaid *Dexter*, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, not to pay the ſaid Sum, nor any Part thereof, until further Orders from this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Mr. *Immanuel Caſe*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Windows of the Gaol in the County of *Kings-County*, and providing ſeveral Locks for the ſaid Gaol: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds Twelve Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Immanuel Caſe*, out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT, to repeal an Act, entitled "An Act to prevent bringing the Murrain into this Colony, from *North-Carolina*," made and paſſed at the Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, which was held on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, A. D. 1759.

WHEREAS the contagious Diſtemper then raging among the horned Cattle, in North-Carolina, *which was the Occaſion of the paſſing the ſaid Act, is now ceaſed, and the ſaid Act being continued longer in Force will prove injurious to this Colony,*

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the ſaid Act, and every Clauſe thereof be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

WHEREAS *Gideon Hoxſie*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for warning the Members of the General Aſſembly, in the County of *Kings-County*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Twenty-four Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Gideon Hoxſie*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the great Bridge over the Falls, called and known by the Name of

of *Wonoſoket* Falls, is out of Repair, and unleſs Rebuilt will be entirely uſeleſs; which will greatly incommode many Inhabitants of the ſaid Colony, and of the neighbouring Governments. That the Charge of Building the ſaid Bridge is too great for the ſaid Towns of *Smithfield*, and *Cumberland* to bear: And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly, That a Lottery may be ſet forth, for raiſing the Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, to be appropriated towards Re-building the ſaid Bridge, under ſuch Regulations as ſhall be thought proper; and that *William Arnold*, and *John Dexter*, Eſqrs. Meſſrs. *Amos Sprague*, *Charles Capron*, *Hezekiah Herrenden*, and *Samuel Cooke*, be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: *Provided* the Directors of the ſaid Lottery give ſufficient Bond, in double the Sum of the Lottery, and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town and County of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That Part of the Country Road, leading from the Town of *Providence* into *Connecticut*, which lyes in the Town of *Glouceſter*, is ſo very rough and bad, that Travellers and Carriages are not able to paſs without great Difficulty. That the ſaid Road being of great Extent, a conſiderable Part of it without Inhabitants, and the land adjoining thereto poor and barren, it is not likely that the ſame will be made conveniently paſſable in many Years, without ſome Public Aſſiſtance be afforded to the Inhabitants of ſaid Town. That a very uſeful and neceſſary Commerce is carried on between the Inhabitants of the Colony of *Connecticut*, and the Town of *Providence*, which will be greatly increaſed to the mutual Benefit of both Parties, if the ſaid Road be repaired and rendered Commodious. And therefore the Petitioners prayed, That Liberty may be granted to raiſe the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds, by way of Lottery, to be applied to the Uſe aforementioned. That *Timothy Wilmarth*, *Benjamin Smith*, and *John Aldrich*, Eſqrs. Meſſrs. *Benjamin Barrett*, *Joſeph Smith*, *William Dean*, *Jonas Steere*, *Chad Brown*, *Abraham Winſor*, and *Andrew Waterman*, or the major Part of them, be appointed Managers thereof; with full Power to ſet forth ſaid Lottery, in One or more Claſſes, on ſuch Scheme, or Schemes, as they ſhall think will beſt conduce to finiſh ſaid Undertaking. That the Firſt Two Thouſand Pounds that ſhall be raiſed, be laid out upon the Road between the Colony Line and *Joſeph Smith's*; and that the remaining Part be laid out between the ſaid *Joſeph Smith's*, and Capt *William Dean's*.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted: *Provided* that the Directors give ſufficient Bond, in double the Sum of the Lottery, and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS Mr. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going to *Providence*, being One of a Committee appointed to wait on his Honor the Governor, reſpecting certain forfeited Sugars: And the

ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty-three Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*) exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going to *Providence*, being One of a Committee appointed to wait on his Honor the Governor, reſpecting certain forfeited Sugars: And the ſaid Account b ing duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifty Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Wanton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Freebody*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going to *Providence*, being One of a Committee appointed to wait upon his Honor the Governor, reſpecting certain forfeited Sugars: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty Pounds thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Thomas Freebody*, out of the General Treaſury.

What follows is a State of Col. *Henry Babcock's* Account with the Colony.

Dr.-- Col. *Henry Babcock's* Account with the Colony.

To the Amount of the Billeting Rolls,	£. 2840	13	6
To a Miſcharge on 871 Johannes, they being calculated at Eight Dollars each, inſtead of Seven Dollars and Seven Eighth Parts of a Dollar, at which Rate they were purchaſed, making a Difference of 108 Dollars and Seven Eighths, at 4/8 per Dollar,	25	8	1
To ſo much wrong added in the Debt Side of his Account,	1	0	0
	£. 2867	1	7

CREDITOR.

By the Amount of his Account of Caſh delivered, &c	£. 2778	8	0
Balance due to the Colony,	88	13	6
	£. 2867	1	7

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is approved: That Twenty-three Pounds Ten Shillings and Five Pence Sterling, be allowed the ſaid *Henry Babcock*, for his extraordinary Time and Expences, over and above the Sixty Dollars before allowed him, which is Fourteen Pounds Sterling, for his going to *New-York*, receiving the Money due to the Colony, bringing it to *Newport*, lodging it in the Treaſury, &c. which two Sums being taken out of the above Balance, there remains due from him to the Colony, Fifty-one Pounds Three Shilling and One Penny Half Penny Sterling, which Sum being paid into the General Treaſury by the ſaid *Henry Babcock*, ſhall fully diſcharge him from any further Demand.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Edmond Sheffield*, and *Joſeph Spencer*, Deputies from the Town of *New-Shorebam*, did in Behalf of the ſaid Town, prefer

ſer a Petition, and repreſent unto this Aſſembly, That on the Weſtermoſt Side of the ſaid Iſland there is a large Pond, covering above 1000 Acres of Land, which formerly had a Communication with the Sea, by a Creek: That then the Fiſhing Ground for Cod was well known, and Baſs was there to be caught in great Plenty: That ſince the Creek has been ſtopped, the Fiſhing Ground for Cod is uncertain, they being ſcattered about in many Places; and the Baſs have chiefly left the Iſland. That they are of Opinion, that a Communication may be opened between the ſaid Pond and the Sea, ſo that a Paſſage may be obtained, large enough for Coaſting and Fiſhing Veſſels to paſs and repaſs, and thereby find a ſafe and commodious Harbor. That if this Communication can be made, the Fiſhery will again become ſure and certain, and Fiſhing Veſſels will not be obliged in bad Weather to run to *Newport*, *New-London*, or any other Port, before they have got their Fare; but there may find a ſafe Harbor: That it will be attended with the greateſt Advantages, not only to this Colony, but the neighbouring Governments, and particularly the Inhabitants of *New-Shoreham* will reap ſo great Benefit from it, as will enable them to pay a much larger Proportion of the Public Taxes, than they are now able to do. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery, to defray the Charge thereof.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted. *Provided* the Directors give ſufficient Bond in double the Sum of the Lottery; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS *Samuel Dunn*, of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in *June* laſt, he ſailed from *Providence* in the Sloop *Joſeph*, belonging to Capt. *Joſeph Turpin*, for the *Weſt-Indies*. That in the Proſecution of the ſaid Voyage, agreeable to the Orders of his ſaid Owner, he was taken by a French Letter of Marque, mounting Eight Guns, called the *St. Eſther l'Amerique*, commanded by *Joſeph Antoinne Tirenne*, who after pillaging ſome of his Cargo, agreed to ranſom the ſaid Sloop *Joſeph*, for One Thouſand Pieces of Eight, to be paid at *Cape Francois*. That for the Payment of the ſaid Sum he pledged the Body of *William Cookoe*, his Mate, as an Hoſtage. That to enable himſelf to pay the ſaid Ranſom, he wrote to his Owner to make Inſurance upon the ſaid Sloop *Joſeph* and Cargo, and at the ſame Time gave Inſtructions to *Samuel Chace*, Eſq; to aſſiſt his Wife in procuring the ſaid Inſurance to be made, in Caſe his Owner ſhould neglect it. That his Owner did not make ſaid Inſurance, which obliged his Wife to give a large Premium for that Part of it which was effected; which after deducting the Premium and other Expences, will leave no more than £. 2775 8 0 Old Tenor, that the Underwriters have to pay, and falls ſhort of the Sum propoſed to be inſured £. 4244 12 0 Old Tenor. That on his Paſſage Home from the *Weſt-Indies*, he was caſt on Shore at *North-Carolina*, and loſt his Veſſel and Cargo, excepting a very ſmall Part that was ſaved, which being brought to an Average, leaves the aforeſaid Sum to be received by him, and no more. That neither his Owner, nor himſelf are able to redeem the ſaid Hoſtage. And therefore he prayed this Aſſembly to grant him a Lottery, to raiſe the Sum of Four Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Old-Tenor,

to

to redeem the ſaid Hoſtage, and defray the Expences that ſhall accrue. And that Meſſrs. *David Wilkinſon*, *Joſeph Whipple*, *William Wheaton*, *Ephraim Starkweather*, and *George Taylor*, jun. may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathan Burdick*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly this Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathan Burdick*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty Days, ſend Copies of the ſame, to each Town Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday of *April* next, if called at that Time; but if not called before nor at that Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

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